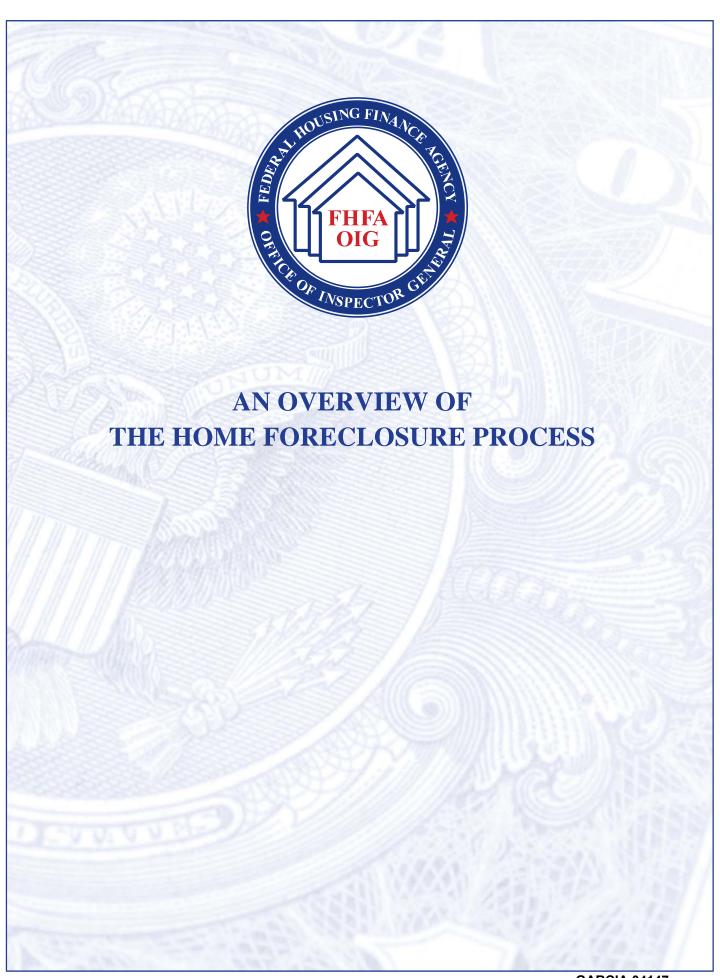
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Foreclosure:

The legal process used by a lender to secure possession of a mortgaged property.

An Overview of the Home Foreclosure Process

Among the most prominent features of the current housing crisis has been an unprecedented jump in the incidence of mortgage delinquencies and **foreclosures**. Public policy and financial market observers have attributed delinquency and foreclosure increases to a wide range of causes and have offered varying policy prescriptions for what remains a continuing problem. Allegations of improper or deficient practices on the part of mortgage originators and servicers have also been a major source of controversy over the past few years. By identifying and describing the procedures and requirements that characterize an appropriately executed foreclosure process, FHFA-OIG seeks to provide useful context and understanding for policymakers and members of the public.

Most home purchases in the United States are financed through loans provided by banks or other lenders. Lenders, as part of the legal process that provides cash financing to borrowers, typically require a secured interest or mortgage on the property financed. Borrowers agree to accept the secured interest on their properties and to repay the loans provided over time. The foreclosure process typically commences only after a borrower has stopped repaying the loan (meaning that the loan has gone into default); the lender therefore uses the foreclosure process to recover the proceeds of the loan through the sale of the property. Foreclosure involves specific rights and obligations with respect to both the homeowner/borrower and the lender (or its representatives) through each step of the process.

Before turning to default and the foreclosure process, however, this overview reviews the legal process supporting mortgage loans. It next turns to default, the gateway to foreclosure, before discussing the foreclosure process and loss mitigation options. This discussion will also identify sources of information regarding federal programs designed to assist homeowners who may be involved in, or at risk of, foreclosure proceedings.

FUNDAMENTALS OF THE MORTGAGE

A mortgage is a loan secured by real estate collateral, specifically the borrower's house or apartment.^a While the term "mortgage" is used colloquially to refer to both the loan and the security, there are actually two separate legal documents: a note and a security instrument.

^a Although real estate investors may also finance their purchases of commercial properties, such as office buildings and rental apartment complexes, through mortgage debt, this discussion will center specifically on residential mortgages.

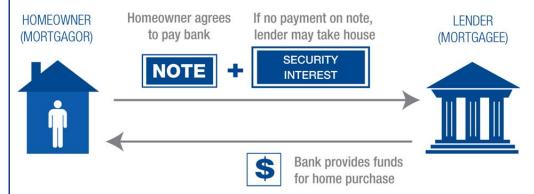
Securitization:

A process whereby a financial institution assembles pools of income-producing assets (such as loans) and then sells an interest in the cash flows as securities to investors. See page 20, Figure 1.

The Note

The note represents the promise or agreement of the homeowner (mortgagor) to repay the loan to the lender or noteholder and specifies the terms of repayment, such as the interest rate and schedule of payments. Most mortgage notes are freely transferable from the original lender to others. Lenders, in fact, sell most loans to third parties, either directly or through the **securitization** process in which groups of mortgages are pooled together and sold as a security to investors. The Enterprises are the most prominent participants in the purchases and sale of mortgages; they accounted for approximately 70% of the nation's issuances of MBS in 2010. Rather than lend directly to homeowners, they purchase mortgages from the original lenders and other buyers. The mortgage note specifies that the borrower must repay the noteholder, which may differ from the original lender if the loan is sold.

Figure 9. Mortgage



The Security Instrument

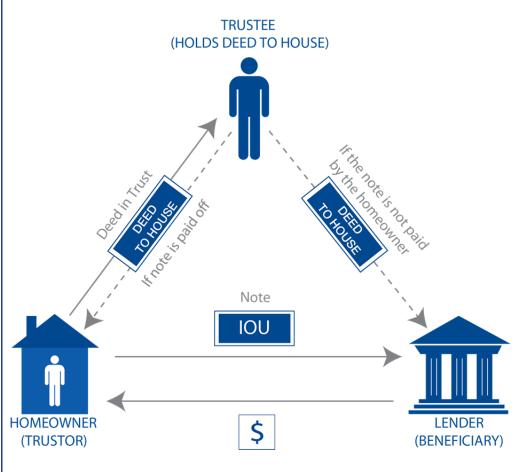
The security instrument is the separate legal document or agreement that pledges the house as collateral for repayment of the note. The security instrument goes by various names, such as the "mortgage," the "deed of trust" (DOT), or the "trust deed," depending on its form and the state in which the house is located. In many states, it is typically recorded in the county recorder of deeds offices in order to establish the mortgagee's interest in the property as a matter of public record. This is important because it establishes the mortgagee's rights in the property relative to other parties, including other mortgagees. The majority of mortgages are recorded using a private recordation company known as the Mortgage Electronic Registration System (MERS). When MERS is used, it is listed in county property records as the mortgagee, while the real mortgagee is tracked in MERS' private registry. The validity of MERS' various

Lien:

The lender's right to have a specific piece of the debtor's property sold if the debt is not repaid. With respect to residential mortgages, the noteholder retains a lien on the house (as evidenced by the mortgage or deed of trust) until the loan is repaid. processes has been the subject of significant and on-going legal controversy.

The form of the security instrument affects the foreclosure process. Legally speaking, a mortgage is the granting of a **lien**. The homeowner, as mortgagor, retains title to the property and grants a contingent interest to the lender as mortgagee. Alternatively, a DOT is more akin to a sale and repurchase: the homeowner, as trustor, gives title to the property to the DOT trustee, who holds it on behalf of the lender as beneficiary. The DOT trustee is typically a title company or a local attorney. The DOT trustee is charged with releasing the deed to the trustor if the loan is paid off or with foreclosing if the trustor defaults. In the standard DOT arrangement, if the homeowner defaults, the beneficiary noteholder will appoint a substitute trustee, often an affiliate, to handle foreclosure. The precise duties of DOT trustees may be a potential issue in foreclosures.^b

Figure 10. Deed of Trust



^bDOT trustees should not be confused with securitization trustees. Many securitizations involve a trust that holds legal title to the mortgages and notes. These trusts have a trustee – a major financial institution - that acts as an agent for the trust, carrying out functions such as remitting payments to investors in the securities issued by the trust and reporting to investors on the performance of the trust's mortgages. The actual management of the mortgages, though, is carried out by another entity, known as the servicer.

For more information on the servicer, see pages 26-27 of this report, Selected FHFA Programs and Activities.

The Servicer

All mortgage loans are "serviced," meaning the payments are collected and the loan otherwise is administered, including the release of liens upon payoff or the management of defaults. The servicer may be an arm of the original lender, or it may be an unrelated third party, in which case it is acting on behalf of the current owner of the loan, typically under a detailed contract known as a "pooling and servicing agreement" or "loan servicing agreement." As the majority of mortgage loans are sold by their original lender (sometimes referred to as the loan's "originator"), most loans have servicers that are unaffiliated with the original lender. For example, the Enterprises do not service any of the loans they own themselves; instead, they use third-party servicers, typically affiliates of the parties that sold the loans to them.

Subcontracting arrangements are common in servicing, so a borrower's contact may in fact be with a subservicer, a vendor, or an attorney engaged by one of these parties. Both servicing and subservicing contracts frequently impose limitations on the servicer's ability to manage the loan, including when and how the servicer may modify or otherwise restructure a loan.

DEFAULT

Default is the prelude to foreclosure. Although various technical defaults are possible, the typical default is a failure to make payments as required on the mortgage. Most mortgages require defined payments each month (though the amount due may vary if the mortgage has an adjustable rate), and mortgage servicers will often refuse to accept partial payments. Figure 11 illustrates the remediation process for a defaulted loan. The outcomes following a default depend on factors such as the amount and degree of delinquency, the borrower's overall financial situation, the value of the property and amount of indebtedness, the servicer's economic interests (as distinct from the mortgagee's), and constraints placed on the servicer by contract and applicable laws. Thus, a defaulted residential mortgage may return to good standing, or be modified, or the property may be sold or repossessed by the mortgagee via foreclosure or a voluntary surrender.

Generally, servicers will not commence a foreclosure until a mortgage is 90 days delinquent – that is, until the borrower has missed three consecutive payments. Thus, a homeowner can conceivably fall behind on a mortgage for a month or two and catch up without the servicer commencing a foreclosure. However, it is important to note that a servicer

may legally begin foreclosure proceedings before a mortgage is 90 days late. Ninety days is a common practice, not a legal requirement.

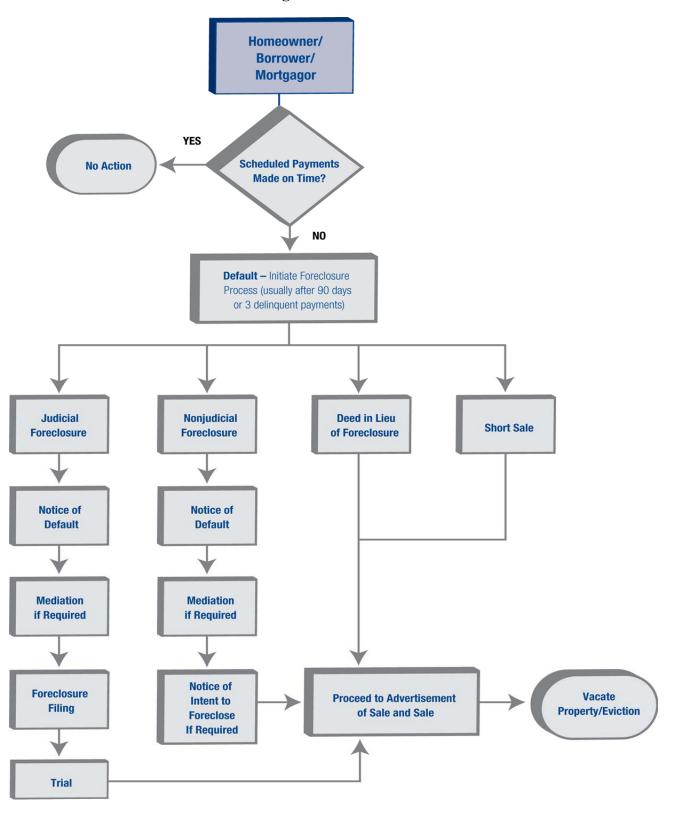


Figure 11. Foreclosure Process Flowchart

Loss Mitigation

In some cases, the default may be cured and the loan reinstated. In addition, depending on individual circumstances, alternatives may exist that permit defaulted borrowers to remain in their homes while addressing their payment delinquency. It is important to note that most of these options are voluntary, but state law and contractual arrangements, including the acceptance of MHA program funds from Treasury, may trigger particular loss mitigation duties on the part of the servicer.

Mediation. Many states offer or require pre-foreclosure mediation between homeowners and servicers. In some states servicers are required to mediate in good faith in order to proceed with foreclosure. This may include presenting the homeowner with all appropriate paperwork for a foreclosure and having authority to accept settlement offers.

Modification. Common modifications include extending the mortgage's maturity date, adding past-due payments to the end of the mortgage, and making both permanent and temporary interest rate reductions. In most cases, when appropriately applied, these measures will lower the borrower's re-amortized monthly mortgage payment to a more affordable level.

Reductions in the borrower's unpaid principal balance are uncommon. Although HAMP permits principal reductions at participants' option, the Enterprises do not provide for principal reductions in their implementation of HAMP. Homeowners should be aware that under certain circumstances the forgiven debt may be deemed income for tax purposes.¹

Forbearance. Lenders may always exercise forbearance on defaulted loans, meaning that the lender may simply decline to proceed with foreclosure. Homeowners have no right to forbearance, unless they are active duty military servicemembers covered by the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act or have been so within the previous 90 days. Note that some types of modifications, such as ones that tack past-due balances onto the end of loans as balloon payments, are sometimes referred to as forbearance.

By contrast to payment reductions, payment forbearance involves temporarily suspending the need to make mortgage payments. In their guidance to loan servicers, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac permit payment forbearance for up to six months in the cases of unemployed borrowers. Servicers must consider unemployed borrowers for such forbearance

Mediation:

Mediation is a process by which a neutral third party (mediator) assists the homeowner and lender in reaching a fair, voluntary, negotiated agreement. The mediator does not decide who is right or wrong.

Figure 12, at the end of this overview, lists those states that offer or require mediation as part of the mortgage loan default remediation process.

A detailed listing of borrower eligibility criteria for HAMP and other MHA assistance programs is available at www.makinghomeaffordable. gov.

The websites of Fannie Mae (www.fanniemae.com) and Freddie Mac (www.freddiemac.com) incorporate utilities that permit borrowers to learn whether those organizations quarantee or own specific home loans.

before consideration for a HAMP loan modification. Borrowers who are not offered any such forbearance must be evaluated for HAMP.

Common Misperceptions About Enterprise Policies for HAMP Participants

Published reports indicate that mistaken or outdated understandings may persist among participants (both servicers and borrowers) in HAMP for loans owned or guaranteed by the Enterprises. Three common misperceptions are discussed below:

- HAMP Participants Must Be Delinquent. HAMP does not require homeowners to be actually delinquent in their payments before participating. Despite reported cases of mortgage servicers indicating that homeowners must be delinquent, and in some cases actually encouraging them to fall behind in their payments, program guidance and the Enterprises' servicer directives explicitly permit participation by homeowners who remain current, but for whom default is "reasonably foreseeable."
- HAMP Requires a Very Long Trial Period. The Enterprises' published guidance states that the initial trial period for HAMP participants "must be three months long for mortgage loans already in default and four months long for mortgage loans where the servicer has determined that default is imminent but has not yet occurred," contrary to reported instances of borrowers making trial payments for much longer.
- The Foreclosure Process Can Proceed While Loss Mitigation Efforts are Underway. As a result of FHFA's Servicing Alignment Initiative, current Enterprise guidance states that servicers may not commence the foreclosure process as long as they are engaged in a good faith effort with the borrower to resolve the delinquency. "Dual tracking" a single loan for both foreclosure and modification is prohibited. Additionally, before a loan is referred for foreclosure, the servicer must also perform a formal review of the case to ensure that appropriate alternatives were considered.

Refinancing. Another option for handling a defaulted loan is to replace it with a new loan via a refinancing. The terms of the new loan can be whatever the borrower and new lender negotiate; the proceeds of the new loan are used to pay off the balance on the old loan. When the old lender is paid off, the old lender releases its lien on the property.

The difference between refinancing and modification is that refinancing entails a new loan, whereas modification is simply a change to the terms of an existing loan. A refinancing can involve the substitution of a new lender for the existing lender or a new loan from the existing lender, whereas a modification involves the same lender. Because a refinancing involves a new loan, there are generally closing costs associated with a refinancing, whereas modification may or may not involve fees to the borrower.

Traditionally, refinancing requires the payment in full of the existing loan. Most mortgage loans have "due on sale" clauses that require payment of the full balance of the loan upon the sale of the property and further define a refinancing as a sale. Unless the existing mortgage is paid off, the existing mortgagee continues to hold a lien on the property that is senior to the new lender's. Payment in full via a refinancing thus requires the

Equity:

In the context of residential mortgage finance, equity is the difference between the fair market value of the borrower's home and the outstanding balance on the mortgage (and any other debt secured by it, such as home equity loans).

Underwater:

Term used to describe situations in which the homeowner's equity is below zero (i.e., the home is worth less than the balance of the loan(s) it secures).

On October 24, 2011, FHFA announced revisions to HARP to expand the number of eligible homeowners. FHFA-OIG will discuss these revisions in greater detail in the next Semiannual Report.

homeowner to have **equity** in the property, as today lenders will almost never extend credit beyond the value of the property (above a 100% loanto-value ratio). Accordingly, refinancing has not been an option, generally, for borrowers who are **underwater**, even if they are current on their mortgage. However, the Enterprises will refinance qualifying underwater mortgages they own or guarantee under the federal government's Home Affordable Refinancing Program (HARP). Loans that are held on banks' balance sheets or in private-label securitizations are not eligible for HARP.

In addition, some lenders will accept a "short refinancing" in which they receive less than the full unpaid principal balance, may forgive the remaining balance, and release the lien. They may choose to do so if they believe that they will make more in a partial payment via a refinancing than they will in a foreclosure sale. FHA, for example, offers a shortrefinancing program: for qualifying borrowers who do not currently have FHA-insured loans, FHA will insure a new first lien mortgage loan at up to 97.75% loan-to-value ratio based on a fresh appraisal. This means that the existing lender must agree to a write-down of the balance as part of the refinancing. FHA requires that the existing lender reduce the existing balance by at least 10% and that the combined loan-to-value ratio of all mortgages on the property be no more than 115%. While short refinancing may be a valuable solution for underwater borrowers, refinancing with a new lender is often very difficult for borrowers with impaired credit scores (which includes any borrower who has defaulted), or even for those with relatively good credit scores.

FORECLOSURE AND ITS EFFECTS

If loss mitigation efforts do not succeed, the defaulted loan will proceed to foreclosure. There are two basic types of foreclosure. Judicial foreclosures proceed through the court system, while nonjudicial foreclosures take place outside it. The type of foreclosure process and other specific features are governed by state law, which varies considerably among the states, and by the terms of the mortgage itself. Some mortgages permit only one type of foreclosure. Some states permit only one type of foreclosure, while others provide for the possibility of either. State law can also vary depending on the type of property involved (its size and use) and by whether the mortgage was a purchase money mortgage or a refinancing of a previous mortgage. This overview is designed to present a general description of the foreclosure process. Actual state law may vary from the process described herein, and this overview should not be relied upon as a legal guide.

Judicial Foreclosure

A judicial foreclosure is a litigation process with a specific remedy. Generally, the loan servicer, on the noteholder's behalf, commences the foreclosure by filing a suit against the homeowner. If those bringing the suit cannot prove that they are acting on behalf of the party entitled to repayment under the terms of the note, they may lack legal standing to do so. Similarly, a foreclosure may be invalid if the foreclosing party or its representative files suit before becoming the holder of the note and the mortgagee.

To begin a foreclosure action, the noteholder's representative files various documents with the court in the form of a "complaint." It also must serve the complaint to the homeowner, notifying him or her of the litigation. Additionally, notice must typically be sent to all **junior lienholders**, such as home equity lenders. The specific requirements vary by state, but state law typically requires the foreclosing party to assert for the record that:

- the homeowner is indebted to the foreclosing party;
- the homeowner has defaulted on the loan;
- the loan is secured by a mortgage, and the foreclosing party is or represents the mortgagee; and
- service of process has been made on the homeowner.

These are typically made via affidavits – sworn written statements submitted to the court. For example, the fact and amount of the indebtedness are typically established via an affidavit of indebtedness. State law requires that affidavits be sworn out by affiants who have personal knowledge of the facts to which they attest. Such affidavits are typically notarized.

Junior Lienholder:

The security interest that can be availed only after the senior lien is satisfied, is called a junior lien. The holder of this security interest is the junior lienholder. Depending on the relative priority of the junior lien, the junior lienholder may be the second mortgagee, third mortgagee, etc. For example, a bank holding a home equity mortgage on a home is the junior lienholder to the bank holding the primary mortgage.

Robo-signing. In mid-2010, certain leading mortgage servicers were found to be routinely submitting flawed affidavits to courts in foreclosure cases. Affidavits are supposed to be sworn out by affiants with personal knowledge of the facts, which are attested to in the affidavit, such as the fact and amount of the homeowner's indebtedness and that the homeowner had defaulted on the loan. In the course of depositions in foreclosure cases, servicers were found to have employees whose sole job was to sign foreclosure affidavits, as many as 10,000 affidavits in a single month by some employees (roughly one per minute). These employees had no personal knowledge of any of the facts to which they attested.

As robo-signing began to garner media attention, several major servicers imposed voluntary moratoria on their foreclosure activities. All have subsequently resumed foreclosures, although some foreclosure filings have been withdrawn and resubmitted and, in Maryland, a state judge threw out over 10,000 foreclosures filed by Ally Financial Inc. (formerly known as GMAC, LLC) because of robo-signing. Federal banking regulators commenced an investigation of robo-signing practices that resulted in consent orders between leading servicers and the federal regulators, in which the servicers agreed to improved internal controls. State attorneys general are still investigating robo-signing and related issues.

While media attention was focused on the lack of personal knowledge of the affiants and the sheer volume of signatures made by individual robo-signers, more serious issues lurk in the robo-signing scandal. In particular, the backdating of mortgage transfer documents was the focus of the depositions in which robo-signing was uncovered. The date of the transfer of a mortgage is critical for three reasons:

- First, it may affect whether a servicer has legal standing to foreclose; only the mortgagee has such standing. In Ibanez v. U.S. Bank, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court upheld the reversal of a foreclosure in which the servicer could not prove that the loan had been transferred to the securitization trust before the foreclosure was commenced.
- Second, it may affect whether the servicer is a "holder-in-due-course," a special legal status that prevents the homeowner from raising certain defenses (including that the homeowner was fraudulently induced into the mortgage) and counterclaims. A party that receives a loan that is in default cannot be a holder-in-due-course, so determining the date of transfer is critical to ensure that the homeowner is not wrongfully deprived of his or her legal rights to raise defenses and counterclaims.
- Third, for securitized loans, tax and trust law rules depend on the date of the transfer. If the loan was transferred too late, there may be adverse tax consequences for the investors in the mortgage-backed securities and the transfer may itself be void under trust law.

Thus, issues related to the timing of transfers of mortgages (often referred to as "chain of title") have profound legal implications.

> Generally, state law requires that a copy of the mortgage note accompany the complaint. The foreclosing party may be required to produce the original "wet ink" or "blue ink" note. Often state law requires the filing of the mortgage itself as part of the complaint, but because recorded mortgages (unlike notes) are public records, a reference to the mortgage may be sufficient. Some states also require certification of mandatory loss mitigation efforts, such as mediation, prior to foreclosure.

Most judicial foreclosures are not contested and result in default judgments against the homeowner. In such cases, it is rare for courts to undertake more than a cursory examination of the sufficiency of the foreclosing party's filings.

If a homeowner contests a foreclosure, either because of procedural deficiencies or on the basis of substantive defenses and counterclaims, then the case is litigated like a regular civil action. A homeowner's ability to raise defenses and counterclaims depends on whether the foreclosing party is a "holder-in-due-course" of the defaulted note. To be a holder-indue-course, the foreclosing party must: (1) possess the actual note; (2) have given value for the note and taken it in good faith; and (3) have no notice of any defect in the note, including that the note is in default. This means that if the note were transferred to the foreclosing party subsequent to the default, the foreclosing party is not a holder-in-due-course, so the homeowner may raise a full battery of defenses and counterclaims in the foreclosure action.

Show Me The Note. Foreclosure defense litigation has begun to feature variations of the "show-me-thenote" defense, in which the homeowner challenges the foreclosing party to prove that it has the right to foreclose. In its most basic form, this defense is a demand that the foreclosing party produce the original mortgage note, but the term refers to a range of challenges relating to the foreclosing party's standing.

Critically, the show-me-the-note defense does not involve a claim that the homeowner is not in default. Instead, it focuses on whether the foreclosing party is the party that is legally entitled to foreclose and has made the required evidentiary showings. Determining the proper party is important for issues of legal standing, holder-in-due-course status, and the homeowner's ability to raise various defenses and counterclaims, and because it affects settlement abilities and incentives. A portfolio lender, for example, may have very different settlement abilities and incentives than a third-party mortgage servicer.

Kemp v. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., 449 Bankr. 624 (Bankr. D.N.J. 2010) provides an illustration of a successful "show-me-the-note" defense. In Kemp, the homeowner had taken out a loan from Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. Countrywide subsequently securitized the loan, selling it to a trust named CWABS Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-8. The Bank of New York served as trustee for the trust and Countrywide as servicer for the trust.

The homeowner filed for bankruptcy, having previously defaulted on his mortgage. Countrywide, as servicer, filed a claim in the bankruptcy on behalf of the trust. The homeowner challenged that claim based on the fact that the mortgage note had not been properly endorsed to the Bank of New York as trustee for the securitization trust and was never placed in the Bank of New York's possession. Accordingly, the homeowner argued, the trust was not a party entitled to enforce the note, as only a physical holder of the note, a nonholder in possession, or someone who has lost a note may enforce a note.

During the trial, Countrywide produced an "allonge" — a separate sheet of paper to be affixed to a note to allow room for additional endorsements. This allonge contained the endorsement that was missing on the note itself (albeit with an error in the name of the trust). Countrywide's official witness, however, testified that the allonge had been created in anticipation of the litigation. The official witness further testified that the original note had never left Countrywide's possession and that the new allonge had never actually been affixed to the note — it was simply a piece of paper with an endorsement, but no indication of what had been endorsed.

The bankruptcy court denied the claim Countrywide had filed on behalf of the trust because the trust could not show that it was a party entitled to enforce the note. The trust was neither a holder of the note (an owner of the note in physical possession of the note), nor a non-holder (someone who lacks ownership of the note) in possession of the note, nor had it lost the note. Because the Bank of New York, as trustee, and Countrywide, as its agent, were not entitled to enforce the note, the bankruptcy claim against Kemp was disallowed.

If the court awards judgment to the foreclosing party, the property is then scheduled for sale, typically by the county sheriff. Sale scheduling is determined in part by requirements for advertisement of the sale for a minimum time period. The homeowner may, of course, appeal the foreclosure judgment.

Nonjudicial Foreclosure

Nonjudicial foreclosures proceed rather differently. There are no court filings or showings of proof required. Instead, in a nonjudicial foreclosure, the foreclosing party must notify the homeowner of the default and the scheduled sale. Sometimes this requires a formal "notice of intent to foreclose." It is also required to advertise the sale. Advertisement requirements vary significantly by jurisdiction, but generally the sale must be advertised in a newspaper of record for the community for a few weeks prior to the sale. The assumption in a nonjudicial foreclosure proceeding is that the foreclosing party has the right to foreclose, provided that it appropriately provides notice and advertises the sale

A nonjudicial foreclosure may effectively be transformed into a judicial foreclosure if the homeowner brings a quiet title action or the equivalent, which has the effect of contesting the foreclosure sale's transfer of title to the foreclosure sale purchaser. Conversely, foreclosure sale purchasers will sometimes bring subsequent judicial actions to ensure quiet title, particularly if there are any questions about the procedural propriety of the sale

The Foreclosure Sale

The rules governing the actual foreclosure sale vary by jurisdiction. Sales are conducted by auction, but there are usually few if any rules governing the actual sale in nonjudicial foreclosures. The timing and the bidding in judicial foreclosure sales is frequently specified in detail by statute, including minimum bids, appraisal requirements, deposits, and completion of payment. Some jurisdictions, however, leave details of the bidding up to the local government official, typically the sheriff, who conducts the auctions

Two constant rules for all foreclosure sales are the order of payment and the effect on liens. The proceeds of a foreclosure sale are used first to cover the expenses of the sale. They are then paid to the foreclosing party, and, if there are surplus funds, to junior lienholders in their order of seniority. Rules of lien priority generally follow a first-in-time, first-inright pattern, with the first lienholder to **perfect** its lien (by making the

Perfection:

The legal recording of evidence for a creditor's lien on a particular item of property.

necessary legal filings or automatically in some cases) having seniority over subsequently perfected (or unperfected) liens. There are many exceptions to this pattern, however. Notably, state tax liens frequently have priority over other previously perfected liens. If any surplus remains, it is paid to the (former) homeowner.

There is no right for prospective buyers (or the foreclosing party) to inspect the property before the foreclosure sale. Prior to the completion of the sale, the property still belongs to the mortgagor/homeowner. Accordingly, third parties tend to discount foreclosure sale purchase bids heavily. Although they can ascertain the external condition of the property, they cannot discern the layout or condition of the property internally, and many foreclosed properties have been damaged prior to sale

The inability to inspect the property pre-sale, as well as the foreclosing party's ability to "credit bid," means that there are relatively few bidders in most foreclosure sales other than the foreclosing party. Most foreclosure sale properties are purchased by the foreclosing party via a "credit bid." This means that the foreclosing party bids the amount it is owed on the loan rather than bidding with cash. In other words, a credit bidding party merely credits itself rather than writing itself a check. A credit bidding party typically bids in the full amount of the debt owed, which means that a third-party bidder must be willing to pay a higher cash price to win the auction. By credit bidding, the foreclosing party can obtain clear title to the property, inspect the property, fix it as necessary, and then resell it subsequently.

It is important to note that foreclosure sales are frequently cancelled or rescheduled. This may occur for a variety of reasons, including ongoing negotiations between the borrower and the lender; intervening bankruptcy filings; and inability to complete procedural steps, including accumulation of necessary documentation.

Cures

Until the completion of the foreclosure sale, the homeowner may cure the default and stop the foreclosure. Typically this requires payment of the entire mortgage debt, as the lender will have accelerated the debt. The lender may be willing, but is under no obligation, to stop the sale if only past due payments are tendered.

If the homeowner files for bankruptcy, the foreclosure sale is automatically stayed, and federal bankruptcy law permits homeowners to

Acceleration:

The declaring of a debt due and payable immediately. Lenders may possess this right under certain conditions, according to the terms of the obligation or applicable law.

unwind the acceleration of a mortgage and cure by paying only the past due payments and associated costs.

Deficiency Judgments

The foreclosure sale may not provide proceeds sufficient to satisfy the mortgage debt. In such cases, the noteholder's representative (and any junior lienholders) may seek a deficiency judgment – a legal judgment for the remaining amount of the debt. A deficiency judgment is an unsecured debt, like credit card debt, and collection follows the procedure for other unsecured debt. This means that deficiency judgments are often difficult for lenders to collect, as many states place restrictions on wage garnishment and unsecured debts are generally dischargeable in bankruptcy. Accordingly, noteholders often sell deficiency judgments to third-party debt collectors at substantial discounts from face value. Attempts to collect these debts are typically subject to the provisions of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act as well as to state debt collection law

The availability and procedure for a deficiency judgment varies by state and foreclosure process. Generally, deficiency judgments are not available when nonjudicial foreclosure is used because of concerns that private sales might be manipulated to suppress foreclosure sales prices in order to produce a larger deficiency judgment. In some states, deficiency judgments are available automatically following a judicial foreclosure. In others, the foreclosing party must file a motion or a complaint for a deficiency judgment. Even then, there is variation as to whether a deficiency judgment (if allowed) is awarded as a matter of right or by judicial discretion.

Right of Redemption

In some states, homeowners have a statutory post-foreclosure sale "right of redemption." This means that the homeowner can redeem – reclaim title to – the house by tendering the amount of the unpaid debt and foreclosure sale costs. The length of the statutory redemption period varies considerably, from as short as 10 days in New Jersey to 2 years in Tennessee. The existence of rights of redemption is a factor foreclosure sale purchasers are likely to consider, as they run the risk of being deprived of their foreclosure sale purchase (even though the purchase price is returned). While it is uncommon for foreclosed homeowners to come up with the cash to redeem their properties during the redemption period, the right is exercised at times.

Figure 12, at the end of this overview, summarizes provisions for right of redemption by state.

Eviction

If the former homeowner does not voluntarily surrender the property following the foreclosure sale, the foreclosure sale purchaser can have the former homeowner evicted. Eviction is also a state law procedure; the precise process varies by state law, but it is not always automatic. Because foreclosure sale purchasers are often concerned about former homeowners damaging the property before they leave, they are often willing to negotiate with homeowners regarding relocation timetables and costs. They are, however, under no obligation to do so.

Renters Living in Foreclosed Property

Sometimes a foreclosed property is occupied by renters. Renters' rights in a foreclosure involving their landlord vary by state. Since 2009, however, the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act has included minimum protections for renters in the foreclosure of most mortgages, including all mortgages owned by the Enterprises. If the renter has a bona fide lease entered into prior to the notice of foreclosure, then the renter may occupy the property until the end of the remaining term on the lease unless the renter is given notice of termination by the foreclosure sale purchaser, in which case the renter has 90 days of occupancy rights. If the renter is not renting under a lease or the lease is terminable at will, then the renter also has 90 days of occupancy rights from notice of termination. Some states give renters additional occupancy rights; others merely give renters the right to notice of the foreclosure.

Liability for Insurance, Taxes, and Homeowners' Fees

Until title passes to the foreclosure sale purchaser, the homeowner typically remains liable for taxes, homeowners' association dues, nuisances, and accidents on the property. Noteholders or their representatives typically have the right to force-place insurance on the property if the homeowner has failed to maintain insurance payments. Force-placement of insurance involves the noteholder's purchasing insurance on the property with itself as the loss-payee. Force-placed insurance can be expensive relative to regular insurance, and some servicers force-place insurance with their affiliates.

Post-sale, the liability falls on the property's new owner. In some communities, however, a phenomenon known as "bank walkaway" has occurred in which a servicer will commence a foreclosure, but not complete it. Frequently, bank walkaway occurs when the property's value is so low that it is not worth the expense of foreclosure. In bank walkaway cases, the homeowner remains the owner of the property, although in

many cases he or she will have moved out because of the anticipated foreclosure. Because the homeowner remains the title owner of the property, he or she remains liable for property taxes and upkeep. Thus, the homeowner could be subject to fines and other penalties if the property becomes a nuisance, or the homeowner could be liable for accidents that occur. Similarly, the noteholder's representative may complete the foreclosure and purchase the property itself in the foreclosure sale, but fail to record the deed in its own name. In such cases, the homeowner remains liable for property taxes.

Impact on Credit Score

Mortgage defaults, foreclosures, deeds in lieu of foreclosure, and short sales can have adverse impacts on consumers' credit scores. A default, foreclosure, deed in lieu, or short sale may remain on a consumer's credit report for up to seven years. A bankruptcy may remain on a consumer's credit report for up to 10 years. The presence of adverse events on credit reports is likely to lower a consumer's credit score, which can make it more difficult or expensive for a consumer to obtain credit in the future. Credit reports are also used by insurers and employers, so adverse credit events can affect the cost of insurance and/or employment opportunities.

FORECLOSURE ALTERNATIVES

Depending on individual circumstances, alternatives may exist to foreclosure proceedings that reduce expenses or legal liability for troubled homeowners. However, like foreclosure, these options will typically result in the homeowner's loss of his or her house. These alternatives may include short sales, deeds in lieu, and bankruptcy. The Enterprises participate in the federal government's HAFA program, which is designed to encourage alternatives to the foreclosure process for troubled home mortgage loans. Participating HAFA servicers may not seek deficiency judgments and may provide relocation incentives of up to \$3,000 for eligible homeowners who tender deeds in lieu of foreclosure or do short sales.

Short Sale

Lenders may agree to a "short sale," in which the homeowner conducts a private sale of the house, and the lender releases its lien in exchange for the sale proceeds, even though the sale proceeds are insufficient to pay off the debt. A short sale does not necessarily discharge the homeowner's debt; it merely results in a release of the lien, so the homeowner may still be liable for the deficiency. If the lender forgives the deficiency, it may be

More information on HAFA is available at www.makinghomeaffordable. qov/programs/exitgracefully/Pages/hafa.aspx.

imputed as taxable income for the homeowner, particularly if the mortgage had a cash-out component.

There are certain barriers to a short sale. Servicers are frequently wary of short sale offers because of concerns that they are settling the debt at too low a price and that the bidder may have colluded with the homeowner. In addition, the high rate of denials for short sale offers has made realtors reluctant to handle them because realtors are only paid upon consummation of a sale and put in more effort in short sales than for regular sales.

Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure

Lenders will sometimes accept a deed in lieu of foreclosure. This means that the homeowner will surrender title and possession of the property voluntarily, rather than requiring the lender to go through the full foreclosure process. For the lender, a deed in lieu spares the time and expense of the foreclosure process. For the homeowner, a deed in lieu may be attractive because the terms under which the homeowner surrenders the property may be negotiated – the lender may be willing to provide the homeowner with some relocation funds or a more generous timetable for moving out.

Critically, a deed in lieu does not extinguish junior liens, so the lender will acquire the property with junior liens still attached. Thus, if neither the homeowner nor the lender who has taken the deed in lieu pays off the junior lienholder(s), the latter may foreclose on the property. Accordingly, lenders may be reluctant to accept deeds in lieu when there is a junior lien on a property.

Bankruptcy

A homeowner may file for bankruptcy at any point before, during, or after the foreclosure process. Bankruptcy is a federal judicial proceeding. A bankruptcy filing automatically stops the foreclosure process. If a lender wishes to proceed with a foreclosure against a bankrupt homeowner, the lender must get permission from the bankruptcy court to do so.

If the homeowner files for Chapter 7 bankruptcy and has defaulted, the homeowner will not be able to retain the property after the bankruptcy absent the lender's consent. If the homeowner files for Chapter 13 bankruptcy and has defaulted, the homeowner may de-accelerate the note and cure the default simply by making up missed payments rather than the full amount of the note. The homeowner may not, absent the lender's consent, modify the terms of the mortgage in bankruptcy if the property is

a single-family residence. For multi-family residences, the homeowner may be able to restructure the mortgage in bankruptcy.

Figure 12. Summary of Foreclosure Process by State

For further information on homeowner assistance programs, borrowers should visit www.makinghomeaffo rdable.gov or call 888-995-HOPE.

State	Foreclosure Process ²	Right of Redemption ³	Mediation Programs
Alabama	Primarily nonjudicial	1 year	None
Alaska	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Arizona	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Arkansas	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
California	Primarily nonjudicial	2 years if court grants deficiency judgment	Yes ⁴
Colorado	Primarily nonjudicial	Redemption by lienholders allowed only within specified periods	Yes ⁵
Connecticut	Primarily judicial	Yes, after judgment and before sale	Yes ⁶
Delaware	Primarily judicial	No	Yes ⁷
District of Columbia	Primarily nonjudicial	In optional judicial procedure there is a provision for redemption before judgment	Yes ⁸
Florida	Primarily judicial	Yes, up to date clerk files certificate of sale	Yes ⁹
Georgia	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Hawaii	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ¹⁰
Idaho	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Illinois	Primarily judicial	Yes, later of 7 months after service of complaint or 3 months after judgment	Yes ¹¹
Indiana	Primarily judicial	No	Yes ¹²
lowa	Primarily judicial	1 year	None
Kansas	Primarily judicial	3 to 12 months depending on percentage of debt that has been paid	None
Kentucky	Primarily judicial	1 year	Yes ¹³

State	Foreclosure Process ²	Right of Redemption ³	Mediation Programs
Louisiana	Primarily judicial	No	None
Maine	Primarily judicial	Mortgages after 10/1/75, 90 days. Mortgages prior to 10/1/75, 1 year	Yes ¹⁴
Maryland	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ¹⁵
Massachusetts	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ¹⁶
Michigan	Primarily nonjudicial	1 month to 1 year depending on size of parcel, number of units, percentage of original loan outstanding, and whether property is abandoned	Yes ¹⁷
Minnesota	Primarily nonjudicial	6 or 12 months depending on date of mortgage, size of property, and whether use is agricultural	Yes ¹⁸
Mississippi	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Missouri	Primarily nonjudicial	1 year	None
Montana	Primarily nonjudicial	Generally 1 year; for small tracts no	None
Nebraska	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Nevada	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ¹⁹
New Hampshire	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ²⁰
New Jersey	Primarily judicial	6 months	Yes ²¹
New Mexico	Primarily nonjudicial	9 months	Yes ²²
New York	Primarily judicial	No	Yes ²³
North Carolina	Primarily nonjudicial	10 days	None
North Dakota	Primarily judicial	60 days or 1 year for agricultural land	None
Ohio	Primarily judicial	Before confirmation of sale with the amount of judgment and associated costs paid	Yes ²⁴
Oklahoma	Primarily nonjudicial	Up to confirmation of sale	None

State	Foreclosure Process ²	Right of Redemption ³	Mediation Programs
Oregon	Primarily nonjudicial	No	Yes ²⁵
Pennsylvania	Primarily judicial	No	Yes ²⁶
Puerto Rico	Primarily judicial	No	None
Rhode Island	Primarily nonjudicial	No, except if foreclosure by process of law or by open entry then 3 years	Yes ²⁷
South Carolina	Primarily judicial	No redemption after sale. Redemption possible for 5 days after sheriff takes possession	None
South Dakota	Primarily nonjudicial	1 year	None
Tennessee	Primarily nonjudicial	Generally no, could be 2 years but right to redemption is routinely waived	None
Texas	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Utah	Primarily nonjudicial	6 months for judicial foreclosure	None
Vermont	Primarily judicial	In judicial strict foreclosure with no sale, 6 months. In judicial foreclosure with sale may redeem until sale	Yes ²⁸
Virginia	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Washington	Primarily nonjudicial	8 months	Yes ²⁹
West Virginia	Primarily nonjudicial	No	None
Wisconsin	Primarily judicial	Up to time of sale; 12 months after judgment unless creditor waives right, if waived 6 months	Yes ³⁰
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I. RETURN INTEGRITY & ACCURACY TO FORECLOSURE AND BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS

A. Put an end to robosigning - signing affidavits filed with the court without personal knowledge.

- Affidavits/sworn statements utilized in foreclosure proceedings must be accurate as to the amounts owed and the standing of the bank/servicer to file for foreclosure and must be based on the signor's personal knowledge of the facts. The affiant must actually review the bank/servicer records before signing.
- Assertions made in foreclosure or bankruptcy proceedings shall be accurate, complete and supported by competent and reliable evidence.
- Affidavits shall be signed in the presence of a notary.
- Banks/servicers may not rely on an inaccurate affidavit to obtain a foreclosure judgment.
- Banks/servicer must have standards for qualifications, training and supervision of employees that sign affidavits; and shall ensure that they have an adequate number of employees with reasonable time to prepare, verify and execute affidavits.
- Banks/servicers shall not pay incentives to employees or third parties to encourage speed in the signing of affidavits.

B. Pre-foreclosure referral notice to borrower: Notice to borrower of their loan status 14 days before a delinquent loan is referred to a foreclosure attorney. The notice shall contain the following:

- Facts supporting the bank's/ servicer's right to foreclose.
- The borrower's right to request:
 - The borrower's payment history
 - A copy of the mortgage note with all endorsements
 - The name of the investor that holds the borrower's loan.
- An itemized plain language account summary that contains:
 - The amount owed and amount required to bring the loan current
 - Terms of the loan
 - How to contact the bank/servicer or a HUD housing counselor
- A summary of the loss mitigation efforts the bank/servicer has undertaken to date.

C. Banks/Servicers shall properly document their authority to file a foreclosure action.

- The bank/servicer must document its right to foreclose on a borrower.
- The bank/servicer must plead the basis for its authority to foreclose.
- The bank/servicer shall summarize this authority to foreclose in the 14 day pre-foreclosure notice to the borrower.

D. New protections to ensure accuracy of borrower's account information

- Bank/servicer shall maintain procedures to ensure the accuracy of homeowners' accounts.
- Bank/servicer shall promptly apply homeowners' payments, including posting within 2 days.
- Bank/servicer shall accept and apply (at least two) partial payments when the payments come within \$50.00 of the scheduled payment.
- When banks/servicers use suspense accounts for mortgages, will follow new requirements:
 - disclose to borrower that a payment has been placed in a suspense account
 - apply the full payment as of date there is enough for one payment in the suspense account
 - cannot use suspense account funds to pay servicer fees until all principal, interest and escrow amounts are paid.
- Banks/servicers shall provide to borrowers a monthly billing statement showing:
 - The total amount due
 - Allocation of payments, including postings to suspense accounts
 - Unpaid principal
 - Fees and charges
 - Escrow balance
 - Reasons for payment changes, 21 days before change.
- Banks/servicers shall adopt enhanced billing dispute procedures including:
 - Implement methods for lodging complaints, including toll free numbers on the monthly billing statement and email access
 - Maintain adequate staff to respond properly
 - Establish a dispute escalation process
 - Implement procedures to promptly fix errors including inaccurate reports to credit reporting agencies.
- The accuracy of the bank's/servicer's accounts systems shall be reviewed periodically by an independent reviewer.
- Banks/servicers shall send an itemized account summary to homeowners 14 days before referral to foreclosure.

E. Required reviews of foreclosure documents

Banks/servicers shall conduct quarterly reviews of: a sampling of affidavits, sworn statements documents used to foreclose in non-judicial states, ownership information and loss mitigation summaries prepared by bank/servicer employees and agents to ensure the documents are incompliance with the law and this agreement.

F. Third-Party provider oversight

Banks/servicers will adopt procedures to oversee foreclosure trustees, independent contractors, and its agents including foreclosure firms, sub-servicers, agents, subsidiaries and affiliates.

II. ENHANCED LOSS MITIGATION PROTECTION FOR THE BORROWER

A. Loss Mitigation Requirements

- Notify homeowner of all loss mitigation options prior to referral to foreclosure.
- Upon receipt of a homeowner's loan modification application, the bank/servicer shall evaluate the homeowner for all available loan modifications before referral to foreclosure.
- Servicer shall offer a loan modification if it is NPV positive.
- Homeowners may re-apply for a HAMP modification if the homeowners applied under old HAMP standards where there was no pre-qualification process.
- HAMP trial plans shall be promptly converted to permanent modifications.

B. Loan modification timelines

- Banks/servicers must review and make a determination on a borrower's completed loan modification application within 30 days of receipt.
- Banks/servicers must follow either HAMP or GSE timelines on the loss mitigation process, whichever is shorter, for all loans. These timelines include things such as the time in which banks/servicers must inform a borrower that a loan modification application has been received, what documentation is missing, and how quickly the bank/servicer must inform the borrower of a loan modification decision.

C. Dual track restricted

1. Pre-foreclosure referral

- If bank/servicer receives a complete loan modification application by day 120 of delinquency, bank/servicer must review and make a determination on the application prior to referring the loan to foreclosure.
- If bank/servicer receives a substantially complete loan modification application by day 120 of delinquency, bank/servicer must provide borrower an additional 10 days in which to complete the application. If bank/servicer receives a complete application by the end of the 10-day extension, bank/servicer must review and make a determination on the application prior to referring the loan to foreclosure.

2. Post Foreclosure Referral

• Once a loan has been referred to foreclosure, if the borrower submits a complete loan modification application within 30 days after the attorney letter is sent to the borrower, the bank/servicer must not move for a foreclosure judgment or seek a foreclosure sale until it has completed its

review and determination of the application. If servicer offers the borrower a loan modification, the servicer must continue to delay any action in the foreclosure proceeding until the borrower accepts or denies the offer. If the borrower accepts the offer, the foreclosure proceeding is suspended unless the borrower fails to perform on the loan modification. The borrower may accept verbally, in writing or by making the first trial payment.

- If borrower submits a complete loan modification at any time after 30 days following the mailing of the attorney letter but prior to 37 days before a scheduled foreclosure sale, the servicer must complete its review of the application prior to going to foreclosure sale. If the servicer offers the borrower a loan modification, servicer must delay the sale if necessary to provide the borrower 14 days in which to accept or deny the offer, and, if the borrower accepts, must continue to delay the sale unless the borrower fails to perform on the modification.
- If borrower submits a complete loan modification with 37 to 15 days before a scheduled foreclosure sale, the servicer shall conduct an expedited review. If the servicer offers the borrower a loan modification, servicer must delay the sale to provide the borrower 14 days in which to accept or deny the offer, and, if the borrower accepts, must continue to delay the sale until the borrower fails to perform on the modification.

D. Communication of borrower's status

 Banks/servicers shall ensure timely and accurate communication of a homeowner's loss mitigation status to its foreclosure attorneys and court mediators.

E. Single point of contact (SPOC).

• The bank/servicer shall establish an easily accessible SPOC assigned to each homeowner who reaches out to the bank/servicer due to difficulty making their loan payments.

F. Duties of SPOC

- One point of communication with homeowner
- Explain loss mitigation options and requirements
- Coordinate document submissions
- Inform homeowner of loss mitigation status
- Ensure homeowner is considered for all loss mitigation options
- Ability to access individuals with ability to stop foreclosure proceedings

G. Communication with homeowners

• Servicer must commence outreach efforts to borrowers to communicate loss mitigation options within the timelines under HAMP or GSE's whichever is earlier. These outreach efforts must be more than prerecorded automatic messages if those fail to result in contact with the borrower.

- Borrower notices must include contact information for national or state foreclosure assistance hotlines and state housing counseling resources.
- Servicer must communicate with the borrower's authorized representative, upon written request of the borrower. This includes communicating with state attorneys general or financial regulator offices acting on a written complaint submitted by a borrower and forwarded to the servicer.
- Servicer must cease all collection efforts while a complete loan modification application is under review or the borrower is making timely payments under a trial modification.

H. Protections for military personnel

- The banks/servicers shall comply with Service Members Civil Relief Act and similar state laws and the banks/servicers shall engage independent consultants to review foreclosures from January 1st 2009 to December 31, 2010 for compliance with SCRA.
- If a person has received military orders to commence active military service or has been in the military within the last 9 months and is in default on his or her mortgage, he or she is entitled to a specially SCRA trained SPOC. If the persons' are not in default, he or she is entitled to be routed to an employee specially trained on the SCRA.
- Bank/Servicer must assess whether a troubled borrower is SCRA eligible not only at the time of default as required by SCRA, but bank/servicer must go beyond the requirements of the SCRA and assess if a borrower is SCRA eligible in the following additional circumstances: 1) before a loan is referred for foreclosure, 2) within 7 days of a foreclosure sale, and 3) the later of promptly after a foreclosure sale and within three days before the regularly scheduled end of any redemption period.
- When a service member requests a reduction in the interest rate on debt pursuant to the SCRA but does not provide the documentation required by the SCRA (military orders), the servicer shall accept orders from the commanding officer.
- Servicers shall notify borrowers who are 45-60 days delinquent that they may be entitled to certain protections under the SCRA and to counseling. The servicer shall include a toll-free number on the notice.
- For active duty service members in combat areas, servicers shall not sell or foreclose on their homes (unless there are investor limitations). This is an improvement on the SCRA which provides in Section 533 that a stay of a foreclosure or sale can only be requested if the mortgage debt was incurred prior to military service. Now those in combat areas can receive this protection regardless of when the debt was incurred.
- (Non-SCRA provision) Servicers shall not require a service member to be delinquent to qualify for a short sale, loan modification or other loss mitigation relief if the service member is suffering from financial hardship and is eligible for loss mitigation. (This is the basic standard for any non-service member person. You can qualify for loss mitigation if you are in default or in imminent default.)

• (Non-SCRA provision) Many times when a service member receives Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders they are underwater on their home so they can't sell, it is difficult to rent at the mortgage amount, they can't get a modification because they are not in default, and they can refinance because their old home will no longer be their primary residence. Under this new provision, when determining whether a service member is suffering a financial hardship with regard to a short sale or deed in lieu, the bank/servicer shall take into account whether the service member has been ordered to relocate to a new duty station at least 75 miles away from his/her former home. With regard to a loan modification, the servicer shall consider as part of the hardship determination if the service member must relocate. (Non- SCRA provision) The Section prohibits the servicer from making inaccurate report to credit reporting agencies when a service member who has not defaulted before relocating obtains a short sale, loan modification or other loss mitigation.

I. Banks/Servicers shall develop loan portals where:

- Borrowers can check, at no cost, the status of their loan modifications.
- Housing counselors can communicate with banks/servicers.
- Banks/Servicers shall update the status of pending loan modifications every 10 days (business).

J. Denial notice requirements

- The loan modification denial notice shall contain the reasons for denial and inform homeowner that he/she has 30 days to rebut the denial.
- If a modification is denied due to investor disallowance, the bank/servicer shall disclose the name of the investor and summarize the reasons for denial.
- If a modification is denied because it is NPV negative, the servicer shall provide in the denial notice the monthly gross income and property value utilized.

K. Independent evaluation of loan modification denial

• All loan modification denials must be submitted for an additional independent internal review

L. Appeal process

- After the bank/servicer denies a loan modification, homeowners have 30 days to request an appeal of the denial, unless the denial is: 1) an ineligible mortgage, 2) an ineligible property, 3) the offer was not accepted by borrower, or 4) the loan was previously modified.
- NPV calculation denial: the borrower can contest the property value used by the bank/servicer in the NPV test by requesting a full appraisal.
- The bank/servicers shall respond to the homeowner's appeal in 30 days.
- If the bank/servicer denies the modification after the appeal, the denial letter shall include a description of other available loss mitigation options.

M. General loss mitigation requirements

- The bank/servicers shall maintain adequate staffing and systems for tracking homeowner's loan modification documents.
- The bank/servicer shall maintain adequate staffing and caseload limits for SPOCs and employees handling loss mitigation.
- The banks/servicers shall establish reasonable minimum experience and training requirements for loss mitigation staff.
- The banks/servicers shall not use compensation arrangements that encourage foreclosure over loss mitigation.
- The banks/servicers shall not require a homeowner to waive claims and defenses as a condition to receive a loan modification (except to settle litigation).
- The banks/servicers shall not charge homeowners a fee to apply for a loan modification.

N. Proprietary First Lien Modifications

- The banks/servicers shall make public all information necessary to apply and qualify for all proprietary loan modifications.
- Proprietary loan programs shall be designed to produce sustainable modifications and affordable payments.
- The banks/servicers shall track the outcomes, characteristics and performance of proprietary loan modifications.

O. Proprietary 2nd Lien Modifications

- The banks/servicers shall make public all information necessary to apply and qualify for all proprietary second lien loan modifications.
- Proprietary second lien loan programs shall be designed to produce sustainable modifications and affordable payments.

P. Short Sales

- Banks/servicers shall make information publicly available on short sale requirements.
- Banks/servicers shall develop a short sale process that allows homeowners to obtain a short sale evaluation before putting the home on the market.
- Banks/servicers shall confirm in writing that a request for short sale has been received.
- The confirmation of receipt shall include information on the banks'/servicers' short sale process. The bank shall send the homeowner written notice of any missing documents.
- Banks/servicers must give notice of any missing documents within 30 days.

Q. Transfer of Servicing of Loans Pending for Permanent Loan Modification

- At the time of transfer or sale, the bank/servicer shall inform the successor servicer if a loan modification is pending.
- Any contract for sale or transfer must obligate the successor to accept and continue processing loan modification requests and honor trial and permanent loan modification agreements.
- Any contract for sale or transfer shall designate the homeowner as a third-party beneficiary.
- When a bank/servicer acquires servicing rights from another servicer, the bank/servicer will continue processing loan modifications and honor trial and permanent modifications.

R. Loss Mitigation During Bankruptcy

Bank/Servicer cannot deny loss mitigation to a borrower on the basis that a borrower is a debtor in bankruptcy.

III. RESTRICTIONS ON SERVICING FEES

A. Default fees generally

- All default, foreclosure fees and bankruptcy related service, including third-party fees shall be bonafide, reasonable in amount, and disclosed to the borrower in detail.
- Banks/Servicer shall keep current its schedule of fees charged to homeowners. The fee schedule shall identify each fee, explain the fee and state the maximum or how the fee is calculated.
- Banks/Servicer may collect a default-related fee if the fee is for reasonable and appropriate services, is disclosed to the homeowner and is not prohibited by law, the loan instruments or the settlement agreement.

B. Attorneys' fees

- Attorneys' fees charged in foreclosure shall only be for work actually performed and shall not exceed reasonable and customary fees.
- If a foreclosure action is terminated prior to final judgment, the homeowner shall only be liable for work actually performed.

C. Late Fees

- If a homeowner is delinquent on two payments and then makes a full payment that is applied to the current payment, the bank/servicer cannot charge a late fee on the older delinquent amount.
- Banks/servicers shall not collect late fees: 1) while a loan modification is being considered 2) while borrower is making timely trial payments and 3) while a short sale is being evaluated.

D. Third-Party Fees

Banks/servicers shall not impose unnecessary or duplicative property inspection, property preservation, or valuation fees on the homeowner.

Preservation fees

• No property preservation fees shall be imposed on homeowners with a pending loss mitigation application or in a loss mitigation program unless there is a reasonable basis.

Inspection fees

• Inspection fees shall not be imposed any more frequently than GSE timeframes allow.

BPO Valuations

 Valuation fees may only be every 12 months unless requested by the homeowner for a loan mod or short sale or required as part of the foreclosure process.

Price of fees charged

• Default and foreclosure-related services performed by third-parties shall be at reasonable market value. If the third party is an affiliate, the bank/servicers shall not charge the homeowner more than the market rate based on annual market reviews performed by an independent third party.

Referral fees

 Banks/servicers cannot collect unearned fees or give or accept referral fees from third-parties.

No mark-ups

• Banks/servicers cannot impose its own mark-up on bank initiated default/foreclosure services.

E. Force-Placed Insurance

- Banks/servicers shall not obtain force-placed insurance unless there is a reasonable cause to believe a homeowner has not paid for property insurance.
- If a homeowner pays into an escrow account, the bank/servicers shall continue to advance payments to the insurer regardless of homeowner payment.
- Disclosures to homeowners: The banks/servicers must send a written notice to the homeowner containing the following:
 - A reminder that the obligation is due and no payment was made;
 - How to prove insurance coverage;
 - That the bank/servicer may obtain coverage at the homeowner's expense and that the cost may be significantly higher and may only protect the mortgage holder;

- A notice that the bank/servicer will set up an escrow account and advance the insurance premiums if the borrower wishes;
- A second written notice must be sent 30 days after the first mailing;
- The bank/servicer shall accept any reasonable form of written confirmation of coverage from a homeowner;
- Within 15 days of receipt of evidence of coverage, the bank/servicer shall terminate the force-placed insurance and refund to the homeowner all premiums.
- The bank/servicer shall continue to make insurance payments if there is a lapse in payment and the payments are escrowed.
- Force-placed insurance must be purchased for a commercially reasonable price.

IV. MEASURES TO DETER COMMUNITY BLIGHT

- **A.** When the servicer makes a decision not to pursue a foreclosure action, the servicer must notify the borrower and local authorities (tax authorities, courts, code enforcement departments, etc.) of servicer's decision to release the lien and not pursue foreclosure on the property.
- **B.** In the 14-day pre-foreclosure notice required to be sent to borrowers, servicer must inform the borrower that the borrower continues to have a responsibility to maintain the property and pay taxes until a sale or transfer of title has occurred. Servicer must also request borrower tell the servicer if the borrower intends to abandon the property so that they can discuss the possibility of surrendering the property in exchange for compensation.
- **C.** Servicer must develop and implement policies to enhance its participation in state and local anti-blight programs such as land banks/servicers, neighborhood stabilization programs, and nonprofit redevelopment programs.
- **D.** Servicer must implement policies to ensure that REO properties do not become blighted.

E. Tenants' Rights

Servicer must comply with applicable state and federal laws governing the rights
of tenants living in foreclosed residential properties; and, the servicer must
develop and implement written policies and procedures to ensure compliance with
those laws.

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		FILED	
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Plaintiffs, v.)))	12 0361	
BANK OF AMERICA CORP. et al.,) Civil Action No)		
Defendants.)))		

CONSENT JUDGMENT

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs, the United States of America and the States of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, the Commonwealths of Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and the District of Columbia filed their complaint on March 12, 2012, alleging that Wells Fargo & Company and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (collectively, "Defendant") violated, among other laws, the Unfair and Deceptive Acts and Practices laws of the Plaintiff States, the False Claims Act, the Financial

Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, and the Bankruptcy Code and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure;

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to resolve their claims without the need for litigation;

WHEREAS, Defendant, by its attorneys, has consented to entry of this Consent Judgment without trial or adjudication of any issue of fact or law and to waive any appeal if the Consent Judgment is entered as submitted by the parties;

WHEREAS, Defendant, by entering into this Consent Judgment, does not admit the allegations of the Complaint other than those facts deemed necessary to the jurisdiction of this Court;

WHEREAS, the intention of the United States and the States in effecting this settlement is to remediate harms allegedly resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendant;

AND WHEREAS, Defendant has agreed to waive service of the complaint and summons and hereby acknowledges the same;

NOW THEREFORE, without trial or adjudication of issue of fact or law, without this Consent Judgment constituting evidence against Defendant, and upon consent of Defendant, the Court finds that there is good and sufficient cause to enter this Consent Judgment, and that it is therefore ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

I. JURISDICTION

1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1345, 1355(a), and 1367, and under 31 U.S.C. § 3732(a) and (b), and over Defendant. The Complaint states a claim upon which relief may be granted against Defendant. Venue is appropriate in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2) and 31 U.S.C. § 3732(a).

II. SERVICING STANDARDS

2. Defendant shall comply with the Servicing Standards, attached hereto as Exhibit A, in accordance with their terms and Section A of Exhibit E, attached hereto.

III. FINANCIAL TERMS

- 3. Payment Settlement Amounts. Defendant shall pay into an interest bearing escrow account to be established for this purpose the sum of \$1,005,233,716, which sum shall be added to funds being paid by other institutions resolving claims in this litigation (which sum shall be known as the "Direct Payment Settlement Amount") and which sum shall be distributed in the manner and for the purposes specified in Exhibit B. Defendant's payment shall be made by electronic funds transfer no later than seven days after the Effective Date of this Consent Judgment, pursuant to written instructions to be provided by the United States Department of Justice. After Defendant has made the required payment, Defendant shall no longer have any property right, title, interest or other legal claim in any funds held in escrow. The interest bearing escrow account established by this Paragraph 3 is intended to be a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-1 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Monitoring Committee established in Paragraph 8 shall, in its sole discretion, appoint an escrow agent ("Escrow Agent") who shall hold and distribute funds as provided herein. All costs and expenses of the Escrow Agent, including taxes, if any, shall be paid from the funds under its control, including any interest earned on the funds.
- 4. Payments to Foreclosed Borrowers. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, for the purposes set forth in Exhibit C, the Escrow Agent shall transfer from the escrow account to the Administrator appointed under

Exhibit C \$1,489,813.925.00 (the "Borrower Payment Amount") to enable the Administrator to provide cash payments to borrowers whose homes were finally sold or taken in foreclosure between and including January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2011; who submit claims for harm allegedly arising from the Covered Conduct (as that term is defined in Exhibit G hereto); and who otherwise meet criteria set forth by the State members of the Monitoring Committee. The Borrower Payment Amount and any other funds provided to the Administrator for these purposes shall be administered in accordance with the terms set forth in Exhibit C.

5. Consumer Relief. Defendant shall provide \$3,434,000,000 of relief to consumers who meet the eligibility criteria in the forms and amounts described in Paragraphs 1-8 of Exhibit D, and \$903,000,000 of refinancing relief to consumers who meet the eligibility criteria in the forms and amounts described in Paragraph 9 of Exhibit D, to remediate harms allegedly caused by the alleged unlawful conduct of Defendant. Defendant shall receive credit towards such obligation as described in Exhibit D.

IV. ENFORCEMENT

- 6. The Servicing Standards and Consumer Relief Requirements, attached as Exhibits A and D, are incorporated herein as the judgment of this Court and shall be enforced in accordance with the authorities provided in the Enforcement Terms, attached hereto as Exhibit E.
- 7. The Parties agree that Joseph A. Smith, Jr. shall be the Monitor and shall have the authorities and perform the duties described in the Enforcement Terms, attached hereto as Exhibit E.
- 8. Within fifteen (15) days of the Effective Date of this Consent Judgment, the participating state and federal agencies shall designate an Administration and Monitoring Committee (the "Monitoring Committee") as described in the Enforcement Terms. The

Monitoring Committee shall serve as the representative of the participating state and federal agencies in the administration of all aspects of this and all similar Consent Judgments and the monitoring of compliance with it by the Defendant.

V. RELEASES

- 9. The United States and Defendant have agreed, in consideration for the terms provided herein, for the release of certain claims, and remedies, as provided in the Federal Release, attached hereto as Exhibit F. The United States and Defendant have also agreed that certain claims, and remedies are not released, as provided in Paragraph 11 of Exhibit F. The releases contained in Exhibit F shall become effective upon payment of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount by Defendant.
- 10. The State Parties and Defendant have agreed, in consideration for the terms provided herein, for the release of certain claims, and remedies, as provided in the State Release, attached hereto as Exhibit G. The State Parties and Defendant have also agreed that certain claims, and remedies are not released, as provided in Part IV of Exhibit G. The releases contained in Exhibit G shall become effective upon payment of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount by Defendant.

VI. SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT

11. The United States and Defendant have agreed to resolve certain claims arising under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act ("SCRA") in accordance with the terms provided in Exhibit H. Any obligations undertaken pursuant to the terms provided in Exhibit H, including any obligation to provide monetary compensation to servicemembers, are in addition to the obligations undertaken pursuant to the other terms of this Consent Judgment. Only a payment to

an individual for a wrongful foreclosure pursuant to the terms of Exhibit H shall be reduced by the amount of any payment from the Borrower Payment Amount.

VII. OTHER TERMS

- 12. The United States and any State Party may withdraw from the Consent Judgment and declare it null and void with respect to that party if the Defendant does not make the Consumer Relief Payments (as that term is defined in Exhibit F (Federal Release)) required under this Consent Judgment and fails to cure such non-payment within thirty days of written notice by the party.
- 13. This Court retains jurisdiction for the duration of this Consent Judgment to enforce its terms. The parties may jointly seek to modify the terms of this Consent Judgment, subject to the approval of this Court. This Consent Judgment may be modified only by order of this Court.
- 14. The Effective Date of this Consent Judgment shall be the date on which the Consent Judgment has been entered by the Court and has become final and non-appealable. An order entering the Consent Judgment shall be deemed final and non-appealable for this purpose if there is no party with a right to appeal the order on the day it is entered.
- 15. This Consent Judgment shall remain in full force and effect for three and one-half years from the date it is entered ("the Term"), at which time the Defendants' obligations under the Consent Judgment shall expire, except that, pursuant to Exhibit E. Defendants shall submit a final Quarterly Report for the last quarter or portion thereof falling within the Term and cooperate with the Monitor's review of said report, which shall be concluded no later than six months after the end of the Term. Defendant shall have no further obligations under this Consent Judgment six months after the expiration of the Term, but the Court shall retain

jurisdiction for purposes of enforcing or remedying any outstanding violations that are identified in the final Monitor Report and that have occurred but not been cured during the Term.

- 16. Except as otherwise agreed in Exhibit B, each party to this litigation will bear its own costs and attorneys' fees associated with this litigation.
- 17. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall relieve Defendant of its obligation to comply with applicable state and federal law.
- 18. The sum and substance of the parties' agreement and of this Consent Judgment are reflected herein and in the Exhibits attached hereto. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Exhibits and paragraphs 1-18 of this summary document, the terms of the Exhibits shall govern.

SO ORDERED this A day of Much

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EXHIBIT A

Settlement Term Sheet

The provisions outlined below are intended to apply to loans secured by owner-occupied properties that serve as the primary residence of the borrower unless otherwise noted herein.

I. FORECLOSURE AND BANKRUPTCY INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION.

Unless otherwise specified, these provisions shall apply to bankruptcy and foreclosures in all jurisdictions regardless of whether the jurisdiction has a judicial, non-judicial or quasi-judicial process for foreclosures and regardless of whether a statement is submitted during the foreclosure or bankruptcy process in the form of an affidavit, sworn statement or declarations under penalty of perjury (to the extent stated to be based on personal knowledge) ("Declaration").

- A. Standards for Documents Used in Foreclosure and Bankruptcy Proceedings.
 - Servicer shall ensure that factual assertions made in pleadings 1. (complaint, counterclaim, cross-claim, answer or similar pleadings), bankruptcy proofs of claim (including any facts provided by Servicer or based on information provided by the Servicer that are included in any attachment and submitted to establish the truth of such facts) ("POC"), Declarations, affidavits, and sworn statements filed by or on behalf of Servicer in judicial foreclosures or bankruptcy proceedings and notices of default, notices of sale and similar notices submitted by or on behalf of Servicer in non-judicial foreclosures are accurate and complete and are supported by competent and reliable evidence. Before a loan is referred to non-judicial foreclosure, Servicer shall ensure that it has reviewed competent and reliable evidence to substantiate the borrower's default and the right to foreclose, including the borrower's loan status and loan information.
 - 2. Servicer shall ensure that affidavits, sworn statements, and Declarations are based on personal knowledge, which may be based on the affiant's review of Servicer's books and records, in accordance with the evidentiary requirements of applicable state or federal law.
 - 3. Servicer shall ensure that affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations executed by Servicer's affiants are based on the affiant's review and personal knowledge of the accuracy and completeness of the assertions in the affidavit, sworn statement or Declaration, set out facts that Servicer reasonably believes would be admissible in evidence, and show that the affiant is competent to testify on the matters stated. Affiants shall confirm that they have reviewed competent and reliable evidence to substantiate the

borrower's default and the right to foreclose, including the borrower's loan status and required loan ownership information. If an affiant relies on a review of business records for the basis of its affidavit, the referenced business record shall be attached if required by applicable state or federal law or court rule. This provision does not apply to affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations signed by counsel based solely on counsel's personal knowledge (such as affidavits of counsel relating to service of process, extensions of time, or fee petitions) that are not based on a review of Servicer's books and records. Separate affidavits, sworn statements or Declarations shall be used when one affiant does not have requisite personal knowledge of all required information.

- 4. Servicer shall have standards for qualifications, training and supervision of employees. Servicer shall train and supervise employees who regularly prepare or execute affidavits, sworn statements or Declarations. Each such employee shall sign a certification that he or she has received the training. Servicer shall oversee the training completion to ensure each required employee properly and timely completes such training. Servicer shall maintain written records confirming that each such employee has completed the training and the subjects covered by the training.
- 5. Servicer shall review and approve standardized forms of affidavits, standardized forms of sworn statements, and standardized forms of Declarations prepared by or signed by an employee or officer of Servicer, or executed by a third party using a power of attorney on behalf of Servicer, to ensure compliance with applicable law, rules, court procedure, and the terms of this Agreement ("the Agreement").
- 6. Affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations shall accurately identify the name of the affiant, the entity of which the affiant is an employee, and the affiant's title.
- 7. Affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations, including their notarization, shall fully comply with all applicable state law requirements.
- 8. Affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations shall not contain information that is false or unsubstantiated. This requirement shall not preclude Declarations based on information and belief where so stated.
- 9. Servicer shall assess and ensure that it has an adequate number of employees and that employees have reasonable time to prepare, verify, and execute pleadings, POCs, motions for relief from stay ("MRS"), affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations.

- 10. Servicer shall not pay volume-based or other incentives to employees or third-party providers or trustees that encourage undue haste or lack of due diligence over quality.
- 11. Affiants shall be individuals, not entities, and affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations shall be signed by hand signature of the affiant (except for permitted electronic filings). For such documents, except for permitted electronic filings, signature stamps and any other means of electronic or mechanical signature are prohibited.
- 12. At the time of execution, all information required by a form affidavit, sworn statement or Declaration shall be complete.
- 13. Affiants shall date their signatures on affidavits, sworn statements or Declarations.
- 14. Servicer shall maintain records that identify all notarizations of Servicer documents executed by each notary employed by Servicer.
- 15. Servicer shall not file a POC in a bankruptcy proceeding which, when filed, contained materially inaccurate information. In cases in which such a POC may have been filed, Servicer shall not rely on such POC and shall (a) in active cases, at Servicer's expense, take appropriate action, consistent with state and federal law and court procedure, to substitute such POC with an amended POC as promptly as reasonably practicable (and, in any event, not more than 30 days) after acquiring actual knowledge of such material inaccuracy and provide appropriate written notice to the borrower or borrower's counsel; and (b) in other cases, at Servicer's expense, take appropriate action after acquiring actual knowledge of such material inaccuracy.
- 16. Servicer shall not rely on an affidavit of indebtedness or similar affidavit, sworn statement or Declaration filed in a pending prejudgment judicial foreclosure or bankruptcy proceeding which (a) was required to be based on the affiant's review and personal knowledge of its accuracy but was not, (b) was not, when so required, properly notarized, or (c) contained materially inaccurate information in order to obtain a judgment of foreclosure, order of sale, relief from the automatic stay or other relief in bankruptcy. In pending cases in which such affidavits, sworn statements or Declarations may have been filed, Servicer shall, at Servicer's expense, take appropriate action, consistent with state and federal law and court procedure, to substitute such affidavits with new affidavits and provide appropriate written notice to the borrower or borrower's counsel.

- 17. In pending post-judgment, pre-sale cases in judicial foreclosure proceedings in which an affidavit or sworn statement was filed which was required to be based on the affiant's review and personal knowledge of its accuracy but may not have been, or that may not have, when so required, been properly notarized, and such affidavit or sworn statement has not been re-filed, Servicer, unless prohibited by state or local law or court rule, will provide written notice to borrower at borrower's address of record or borrower's counsel prior to proceeding with a foreclosure sale or eviction proceeding.
- 18. In all states, Servicer shall send borrowers a statement setting forth facts supporting Servicer's or holder's right to foreclose and containing the information required in paragraphs I.B.6 (items available upon borrower request), I.B.10 (account statement), I.C.2 and I.C.3 (ownership statement), and IV.B.13 (loss mitigation statement) herein. Servicer shall send this statement to the borrower in one or more communications no later than 14 days prior to referral to foreclosure attorney or foreclosure trustee. Servicer shall provide the Monitoring Committee with copies of proposed form statements for review before implementation.
- B. Requirements for Accuracy and Verification of Borrower's Account Information.
 - 1. Servicer shall maintain procedures to ensure accuracy and timely updating of borrower's account information, including posting of payments and imposition of fees. Servicer shall also maintain adequate documentation of borrower account information, which may be in either electronic or paper format.
 - 2. For any loan on which interest is calculated based on a daily accrual or daily interest method and as to which any obligor is not a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding without reaffirmation, Servicer shall promptly accept and apply all borrower payments, including cure payments (where authorized by law or contract), trial modification payments, as well as non-conforming payments, unless such application conflicts with contract provisions or prevailing law. Servicer shall ensure that properly identified payments shall be posted no more than two business days after receipt at the address specified by Servicer and credited as of the date received to borrower's account. Each monthly payment shall be applied in the order specified in the loan documents.
 - 3. For any loan on which interest is not calculated based on a daily accrual or daily interest method and as to which any obligor is not a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding without reaffirmation,

 Servicer shall promptly accept and apply all borrower conforming

payments, including cure payments (where authorized by law or contract), unless such application conflicts with contract provisions or prevailing law. Servicer shall continue to accept trial modification payments consistent with existing payment application practices. Servicer shall ensure that properly identified payments shall be posted no more than two business days after receipt at the address specified by Servicer. Each monthly payment shall be applied in the order specified in the loan documents.

- a. Servicer shall accept and apply at least two non-conforming payments from the borrower, in accordance with this subparagraph, when the payment, whether on its own or when combined with a payment made by another source, comes within \$50.00 of the scheduled payment, including principal and interest and, where applicable, taxes and insurance.
- b. Except for payments described in paragraph I.B.3.a, Servicer may post partial payments to a suspense or unapplied funds account, provided that Servicer (1) discloses to the borrower the existence of and any activity in the suspense or unapplied funds account; (2) credits the borrower's account with a full payment as of the date that the funds in the suspense or unapplied funds account are sufficient to cover such full payment; and (3) applies payments as required by the terms of the loan documents. Servicer shall not take funds from suspense or unapplied funds accounts to pay fees until all unpaid contractual interest, principal, and escrow amounts are paid and brought current or other final disposition of the loan.
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions above, Servicer shall not be required to accept payments which are insufficient to pay the full balance due after the borrower has been provided written notice that the contract has been declared in default and the remaining payments due under the contract have been accelerated.
- 5. Servicer shall provide to borrowers (other than borrowers in bankruptcy or borrowers who have been referred to or are going through foreclosure) adequate information on monthly billing or other account statements to show in clear and conspicuous language:
 - a. total amount due;
 - b. allocation of payments, including a notation if any payment has been posted to a "suspense or unapplied funds account";

- c. unpaid principal;
- d. fees and charges for the relevant time period;
- e. current escrow balance; and
- f. reasons for any payment changes, including an interest rate or escrow account adjustment, no later than 21 days before the new amount is due (except in the case of loans as to which interest accrues daily or the rate changes more frequently than once every 30 days);

Statements as described above are not required to be delivered with respect to any fixed rate residential mortgage loan as to which the borrower is provided a coupon book.

- 6. In the statements described in paragraphs I.A.18 and III.B.1.a, Servicer shall notify borrowers that they may receive, upon written request:
 - a. A copy of the borrower's payment history since the borrower was last less than 60 days past due;
 - b. A copy of the borrower's note;
 - c. If Servicer has commenced foreclosure or filed a POC, copies of any assignments of mortgage or deed of trust required to demonstrate the right to foreclose on the borrower's note under applicable state law; and
 - d. The name of the investor that holds the borrower's loan.
- 7. Servicer shall adopt enhanced billing dispute procedures, including for disputes regarding fees. These procedures will include:
 - Establishing readily available methods for customers to lodge complaints and pose questions, such as by providing toll-free numbers and accepting disputes by email;
 - b. Assessing and ensuring adequate and competent staff to answer and respond to consumer disputes promptly;
 - c. Establishing a process for dispute escalation;
 - d. Tracking the resolution of complaints; and
 - e. Providing a toll-free number on monthly billing statements.
- 8. Servicer shall take appropriate action to promptly remediate any inaccuracies in borrowers' account information, including:
 - a. Correcting the account information;
 - b. Providing cash refunds or account credits; and
 - c. Correcting inaccurate reports to consumer credit reporting

agencies.

- 9. Servicer's systems to record account information shall be periodically independently reviewed for accuracy and completeness by an independent reviewer.
- 10. As indicated in paragraph I.A.18, Servicer shall send the borrower an itemized plain language account summary setting forth each of the following items, to the extent applicable:
 - a. The total amount needed to reinstate or bring the account current, and the amount of the principal obligation under the mortgage;
 - b. The date through which the borrower's obligation is paid;
 - c. The date of the last full payment;
 - d. The current interest rate in effect for the loan (if the rate is effective for at least 30 days);
 - e. The date on which the interest rate may next reset or adjust (unless the rate changes more frequently than once every 30 days);
 - f. The amount of any prepayment fee to be charged, if any;
 - g. A description of any late payment fees;
 - h. A telephone number or electronic mail address that may be used by the obligor to obtain information regarding the mortgage; and
 - i. The names, addresses, telephone numbers, and Internet addresses of one or more counseling agencies or programs approved by HUD (http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/hcs.cfm).
- 11. In active chapter 13 cases, Servicer shall ensure that:
 - a. prompt and proper application of payments is made on account of (a) pre-petition arrearage amounts and (b) post-petition payment amounts and posting thereof as of the successful consummation of the effective confirmed plan;
 - b. the debtor is treated as being current so long as the debtor is making payments in accordance with the terms of the theneffective confirmed plan and any later effective payment change notices; and
 - c. as of the date of dismissal of a debtor's bankruptcy case, entry of an order granting Servicer relief from the stay, or entry of an order granting the debtor a discharge, there is a reconciliation of payments received with respect to the

debtor's obligations during the case and appropriately update the Servicer's systems of record. In connection with such reconciliation, Servicer shall reflect the waiver of any fee, expense or charge pursuant to paragraphs III.B.1.c.i or III.B.1.d.

- C. Documentation of Note, Holder Status and Chain of Assignment.
 - 1. Servicer shall implement processes to ensure that Servicer or the foreclosing entity has a documented enforceable interest in the promissory note and mortgage (or deed of trust) under applicable state law, or is otherwise a proper party to the foreclosure action.
 - 2. Servicer shall include a statement in a pleading, affidavit of indebtedness or similar affidavits in court foreclosure proceedings setting forth the basis for asserting that the foreclosing party has the right to foreclose.
 - 3. Servicer shall set forth the information establishing the party's right to foreclose as set forth in I.C.2 in a communication to be sent to the borrower as indicated in I.A.18.
 - 4. If the original note is lost or otherwise unavailable, Servicer shall comply with applicable law in an attempt to establish ownership of the note and the right to enforcement. Servicer shall ensure good faith efforts to obtain or locate a note lost while in the possession of Servicer or Servicer's agent and shall ensure that Servicer and Servicer's agents who are expected to have possession of notes or assignments of mortgage on behalf of Servicer adopt procedures that are designed to provide assurance that the Servicer or Servicer's agent would locate a note or assignment of mortgage if it is in the possession or control of the Servicer or Servicer's agent, as the case may be. In the event that Servicer prepares or causes to be prepared a lost note or lost assignment affidavit with respect to an original note or assignment lost while in Servicer's control, Servicer shall use good faith efforts to obtain or locate the note or assignment in accordance with its procedures. In the affidavit, sworn statement or other filing documenting the lost note or assignment, Servicer shall recite that Servicer has made a good faith effort in accordance with its procedures for locating the lost note or assignment.
 - 5. Servicer shall not intentionally destroy or dispose of original notes that are still in force.
 - 6. Servicer shall ensure that mortgage assignments executed by or on behalf of Servicer are executed with appropriate legal authority, accurately reflective of the completed transaction and properly acknowledged.

- D. Bankruptcy Documents.
 - 1. **Proofs of Claim ("POC")**. Servicer shall ensure that POCs filed on behalf of Servicer are documented in accordance with the United States Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and any applicable local rule or order ("bankruptcy law"). Unless not permitted by statute or rule, Servicer shall ensure that each POC is documented by attaching:
 - a. The original or a duplicate of the note, including all indorsements; a copy of any mortgage or deed of trust securing the notes (including, if applicable, evidence of recordation in the applicable land records); and copies of any assignments of mortgage or deed of trust required to demonstrate the right to foreclose on the borrower's note under applicable state law (collectively, "Loan Documents"). If the note has been lost or destroyed, a lost note affidavit shall be submitted.
 - b. If, in addition to its principal amount, a claim includes interest, fees, expenses, or other charges incurred before the petition was filed, an itemized statement of the interest, fees, expenses, or charges shall be filed with the proof of claim (including any expenses or charges based on an escrow analysis as of the date of filing) at least in the detail specified in the current draft of Official Form B 10 (effective December 2011) ("Official Form B 10")

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 - c. A statement of the amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition shall be filed with the proof of claim.
 - d. If a security interest is claimed in property that is the debtor's principal residence, the attachment prescribed by the appropriate Official Form shall be filed with the proof of claim.
 - e. Servicer shall include a statement in a POC setting forth the basis for asserting that the applicable party has the right to foreclose.
 - f. The POC shall be signed (either by hand or by appropriate electronic signature) by the responsible person under penalty of perjury after reasonable investigation, stating that the information set forth in the POC is true and correct to the best of such responsible person's knowledge, information, and reasonable belief, and clearly identify the responsible person's employer and position or title with the

employer.

- 2. **Motions for Relief from Stay ("MRS")**. Unless not permitted by bankruptcy law, Servicer shall ensure that each MRS in a chapter 13 proceeding is documented by attaching:
 - a. To the extent not previously submitted with a POC, a copy of the Loan Documents; if such documents were previously submitted with a POC, a statement to that effect. If the promissory note has been lost or destroyed, a lost note affidavit shall be submitted;
 - b. To the extent not previously submitted with a POC, Servicer shall include a statement in an MRS setting forth the basis for asserting that the applicable party has the right to foreclose.
 - c. An affidavit, sworn statement or Declaration made by Servicer or based on information provided by Servicer ("MRS affidavit" (which term includes, without limitation, any facts provided by Servicer that are included in any attachment and submitted to establish the truth of such facts) setting forth:
 - i. whether there has been a default in paying prepetition arrearage or post-petition amounts (an "MRS delinquency");
 - if there has been such a default, (a) the unpaid ii. principal balance, (b) a description of any default with respect to the pre-petition arrearage, (c) a description of any default with respect to the postpetition amount (including, if applicable, any escrow shortage), (d) the amount of the pre-petition arrearage (if applicable), (e) the post-petition payment amount, (f) for the period since the date of the first post-petition or pre-petition default that is continuing and has not been cured, the date and amount of each payment made (including escrow payments) and the application of each such payment, and (g) the amount, date and description of each fee or charge applied to such pre-petition amount or post-petition amount since the later of the date of the petition or the preceding statement pursuant to paragraph III.B.1.a; and
 - iii. all amounts claimed, including a statement of the amount necessary to cure any default on or about the date of the MRS.

- d. All other attachments prescribed by statute, rule, or law.
- e. Servicer shall ensure that any MRS discloses the terms of any trial period or permanent loan modification plan pending at the time of filing of a MRS or whether the debtor is being evaluated for a loss mitigation option.
- E. Quality Assurance Systems Review.
 - 1. Servicer shall conduct regular reviews, not less than quarterly, of a statistically valid sample of affidavits, sworn statements, Declarations filed by or on behalf of Servicer in judicial foreclosures or bankruptcy proceedings and notices of default, notices of sale and similar notices submitted in non-judicial foreclosures to ensure that the documents are accurate and comply with prevailing law and this Agreement.
 - a. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in affidavits, sworn statements, Declarations and documents used to foreclose in non-judicial foreclosures, the account summary described in paragraph I.B.10, the ownership statement described in paragraph I.C.2, and the loss mitigation statement described in paragraph IV.B.13 by reviewing the underlying information. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.
 - b. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations submitted in bankruptcy proceedings. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.
 - 2. The quality assurance steps set forth above shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of employees who prepare foreclosure or bankruptcy affidavits, sworn statements, or other foreclosure or bankruptcy documents.
 - 3. Servicer shall conduct regular pre-filing reviews of a statistically valid sample of POCs to ensure that the POCs are accurate and comply with prevailing law and this Agreement. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in POCs. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases. The pre-filing review shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of the persons who prepared the applicable POCs.

4. Servicer shall regularly review and assess the adequacy of its internal controls and procedures with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, and implement appropriate procedures to address deficiencies.

II. THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER OVERSIGHT.

A. Oversight Duties Applicable to All Third-Party Providers.

Servicer shall adopt policies and processes to oversee and manage foreclosure firms, law firms, foreclosure trustees, subservicers and other agents, independent contractors, entities and third parties (including subsidiaries and affiliates) retained by or on behalf of Servicer that provide foreclosure, bankruptcy or mortgage servicing activities (including loss mitigation) (collectively, such activities are "Servicing Activities" and such providers are "Third-Party Providers"), including:

- 1. Servicer shall perform appropriate due diligence of Third-Party Providers' qualifications, expertise, capacity, reputation, complaints, information security, document custody practices, business continuity, and financial viability.
- 2. Servicer shall amend agreements, engagement letters, or oversight policies, or enter into new agreements or engagement letters, with Third-Party Providers to require them to comply with Servicer's applicable policies and procedures (which will incorporate any applicable aspects of this Agreement) and applicable state and federal laws and rules.
- 3. Servicer shall ensure that agreements, contracts or oversight policies provide for adequate oversight, including measures to enforce Third-Party Provider contractual obligations, and to ensure timely action with respect to Third-Party Provider performance failures.
- 4. Servicer shall ensure that foreclosure and bankruptcy counsel and foreclosure trustees have appropriate access to information from Servicer's books and records necessary to perform their duties in preparing pleadings and other documents submitted in foreclosure and bankruptcy proceedings.
- 5. Servicer shall ensure that all information provided by or on behalf of Servicer to Third-Party Providers in connection with providing Servicing Activities is accurate and complete.
- 6. Servicer shall conduct periodic reviews of Third-Party Providers. These reviews shall include:
 - a. A review of a sample of the foreclosure and bankruptcy documents prepared by the Third-Party Provider, to provide for compliance with applicable state and federal law and

- this Agreement in connection with the preparation of the documents, and the accuracy of the facts contained therein;
- b. A review of the fees and costs assessed by the Third-Party Provider to provide that only fees and costs that are lawful, reasonable and actually incurred are charged to borrowers and that no portion of any fees or charges incurred by any Third-Party Provider for technology usage, connectivity, or electronic invoice submission is charged as a cost to the borrower;
- c. A review of the Third-Party Provider's processes to provide for compliance with the Servicer's policies and procedures concerning Servicing Activities;
- d. A review of the security of original loan documents maintained by the Third-Party Provider;
- e. A requirement that the Third-Party Provider disclose to the Servicer any imposition of sanctions or professional disciplinary action taken against them for misconduct related to performance of Servicing Activities; and
- f. An assessment of whether bankruptcy attorneys comply with the best practice of determining whether a borrower has made a payment curing any MRS delinquency within two business days of the scheduled hearing date of the related MRS.

The quality assurance steps set forth above shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of employees who prepare foreclosure or bankruptcy affidavits, sworn documents, Declarations or other foreclosure or bankruptcy documents.

- 7. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if problems are identified through this review or otherwise, including, when appropriate, terminating its relationship with the Third-Party Provider.
- 8. Servicer shall adopt processes for reviewing and appropriately addressing customer complaints it receives about Third-Party Provider services.
- 9. Servicer shall regularly review and assess the adequacy of its internal controls and procedures with respect to its obligations under this Section, and take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.

- B. Additional Oversight of Activities by Third-Party Providers.
 - 1. Servicer shall require a certification process for law firms (and recertification of existing law firm providers) that provide residential mortgage foreclosure and bankruptcy services for Servicer, on a periodic basis, as qualified to serve as a Third-Party Provider to Servicer, including that attorneys have the experience and competence necessary to perform the services requested.
 - 2. Servicer shall ensure that attorneys are licensed to practice in the relevant jurisdiction, have the experience and competence necessary to perform the services requested, and that their services comply with applicable rules, regulations and applicable law (including state law prohibitions on fee splitting).
 - 3. Servicer shall ensure that foreclosure and bankruptcy counsel and foreclosure trustees have an appropriate Servicer contact to assist in legal proceedings and to facilitate loss mitigation questions on behalf of the borrower.
 - 4. Servicer shall adopt policies requiring Third-Party Providers to maintain records that identify all notarizations of Servicer documents executed by each notary employed by the Third-Party Provider.

III. BANKRUPTCY.

A. General.

- 1. The provisions, conditions and obligations imposed herein are intended to be interpreted in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. Nothing herein shall require a Servicer to do anything inconsistent with applicable state or federal law, including the applicable bankruptcy law or a court order in a bankruptcy case.
- 2. Servicer shall ensure that employees who are regularly engaged in servicing mortgage loans as to which the borrower or mortgagor is in bankruptcy receive training specifically addressing bankruptcy issues.

B. Chapter 13 Cases.

- 1. In any chapter 13 case, Servicer shall ensure that:
 - a. So long as the debtor is in a chapter 13 case, within 180 days after the date on which the fees, expenses, or charges are incurred, file and serve on the debtor, debtor's counsel, and the trustee a notice in a form consistent with Official Form B10 (Supplement 2) itemizing fees, expenses, or charges (1) that were incurred in connection with the claim

- after the bankruptcy case was filed, (2) that the holder asserts are recoverable against the debtor or against the debtor's principal residence, and (3) that the holder intends to collect from the debtor.
- b. Servicer replies within time periods established under bankruptcy law to any notice that the debtor has completed all payments under the plan or otherwise paid in full the amount required to cure any pre-petition default.
- c. If the Servicer fails to provide information as required by paragraph III.B.1.a with respect to a fee, expense or charge within 180 days of the incurrence of such fee, expense, or charge, then,
 - i. Except for independent charges ("Independent charge") paid by the Servicer that is either (A) specifically authorized by the borrower or (B) consists of amounts advanced by Servicer in respect of taxes, homeowners association fees, liens or insurance, such fee, expense or charge shall be deemed waived and may not be collected from the borrower.
 - ii. In the case of an Independent charge, the court may, after notice and hearing, take either or both of the following actions:
 - (a) preclude the holder from presenting the omitted information, in any form, as evidence in any contested matter or adversary proceeding in the case, unless the court determines that the failure was substantially justified or is harmless; or
 - (b) award other appropriate relief, including reasonable expenses and attorney's fees caused by the failure.
- d. If the Servicer fails to provide information as required by paragraphs III.B.1.a or III.B.1.b and bankruptcy law with respect to a fee, expense or charge (other than an Independent Charge) incurred more than 45 days before the date of the reply referred to in paragraph III.B.1.b, then such fee, expense or charge shall be deemed waived and may not be collected from the borrower.
- e. Servicer shall file and serve on the debtor, debtor's counsel, and the trustee a notice in a form consistent with the current draft of Official Form B10 (Supplement 1) (effective

December 2011) of any change in the payment amount, including any change that results from an interest rate or escrow account adjustment, no later than 21 days before a payment in the new amount is due. Servicer shall waive and not collect any late charge or other fees imposed solely as a result of the failure of the borrower timely to make a payment attributable to the failure of Servicer to give such notice timely.

IV. LOSS MITIGATION.

These requirements are intended to apply to both government-sponsored and proprietary loss mitigation programs and shall apply to subservicers performing loss mitigation services on Servicer's behalf.

A. Loss Mitigation Requirements.

- 1. Servicer shall be required to notify potentially eligible borrowers of currently available loss mitigation options prior to foreclosure referral. Upon the timely receipt of a complete loan modification application, Servicer shall evaluate borrowers for all available loan modification options for which they are eligible prior to referring a borrower to foreclosure and shall facilitate the submission and review of loss mitigation applications. The foregoing notwithstanding, Servicer shall have no obligation to solicit borrowers who are in bankruptcy.
- 2. Servicer shall offer and facilitate loan modifications for borrowers rather than initiate foreclosure when such loan modifications for which they are eligible are net present value (NPV) positive and meet other investor, guarantor, insurer and program requirements.
- 3. Servicer shall allow borrowers enrolled in a trial period plan under prior HAMP guidelines (where borrowers were not pre-qualified) and who made all required trial period payments, but were later denied a permanent modification, the opportunity to reapply for a HAMP or proprietary loan modification using current financial information.
- 4. Servicer shall promptly send a final modification agreement to borrowers who have enrolled in a trial period plan under current HAMP guidelines (or fully underwritten proprietary modification programs with a trial payment period) and who have made the required number of timely trial period payments, where the modification is underwritten prior to the trial period and has received any necessary investor, guarantor or insurer approvals. The borrower shall then be converted by Servicer to a permanent modification upon execution of the final modification documents,

consistent with applicable program guidelines, absent evidence of fraud.

B. Dual Track Restricted.

- 1. If a borrower has not already been referred to foreclosure, Servicer shall not refer an eligible borrower's account to foreclosure while the borrower's complete application for any loan modification program is pending if Servicer received (a) a complete loan modification application no later than day 120 of delinquency, or (b) a substantially complete loan modification application (missing only any required documentation of hardship) no later than day 120 of delinquency and Servicer receives any required hardship documentation no later than day 130 of delinquency. Servicer shall not make a referral to foreclosure of an eligible borrower who so provided an application until:
 - a. Servicer determines (after the automatic review in paragraph IV.G.1) that the borrower is not eligible for a loan modification, or
 - b. If borrower does not accept an offered foreclosure prevention alternative within 14 days of the evaluation notice, the earlier of (i) such 14 days, and (ii) borrower's decline of the foreclosure prevention offer.
- 2. If borrower accepts the loan modification resulting from Servicer's evaluation of the complete loan modification application referred to in paragraph IV.B.1 (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days of Servicer's offer of a loan modification, then the Servicer shall delay referral to foreclosure until (a) if the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, the last day for timely receiving the first trial period payment, and (b) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 3. If the loan modification requested by a borrower as described in paragraph IV.B.1 is denied, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
 - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
 - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii)

- if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 4. If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, the Servicer receives a complete application from the borrower within 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, then while such loan modification application is pending, Servicer shall not move for foreclosure judgment or order of sale (or, if a motion has already been filed, shall take reasonable steps to avoid a ruling on such motion), or seek a foreclosure sale. If Servicer offers the borrower a loan modification, Servicer shall not move for judgment or order of sale, (or, if a motion has already been filed, shall take reasonable steps to avoid a ruling on such motion), or seek a foreclosure sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related offer of a loan modification, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days after the date of the related offer of loan modification, Servicer shall continue this delay until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 5. If the loan modification requested by a borrower described in paragraph IV.B.4 is denied, then, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
 - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
 - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii) if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the failure of the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period

payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.

- If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, 6. Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, but more than 37 days before a foreclosure sale is scheduled, then while such loan modification application is pending, Servicer shall not proceed with the foreclosure sale. If Servicer offers a loan modification, then Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the earlier of (i) 14 days after the date of the related offer of loan modification, and (ii) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days, Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 7. If the loan modification requested by a borrower described in paragraph IV.B.6 is denied and it is reasonable to believe that more than 90 days remains until a scheduled foreclosure date or the first date on which a sale could reasonably be expected to be scheduled and occur, then, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3.a, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
 - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
 - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii) if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 8. If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, but within 37 to 15 days before a foreclosure sale is scheduled, then Servicer shall conduct an expedited review of the

borrower and, if the borrower is extended a loan modification offer, Servicer shall postpone any foreclosure sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related evaluation notice, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (either in writing or by submitting the first trial modification payment), Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.

- 9. If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, the Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter and less than 15 days before a scheduled foreclosure sale, Servicer must notify the borrower before the foreclosure sale date as to Servicer's determination (if its review was completed) or inability to complete its review of the loan modification application. If Servicer makes a loan modification offer to the borrower, then Servicer shall postpone any sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related evaluation notice, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower timely accepts a loan modification offer (either in writing or by submitting the first trial modification payment), Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 10. For purposes of this section IV.B, Servicer shall not be responsible for failing to obtain a delay in a ruling on a judgment or failing to delay a foreclosure sale if Servicer made a request for such delay, pursuant to any state or local law, court rule or customary practice, and such request was not approved.
- 11. Servicer shall not move to judgment or order of sale or proceed with a foreclosure sale under any of the following circumstances:
 - a. The borrower is in compliance with the terms of a trial loan modification, forbearance, or repayment plan; or
 - b. A short sale or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure has been approved by all parties (including, for example, first lien investor, junior lien holder and mortgage insurer, as applicable), and proof of funds or financing has been provided to Servicer.

- 12. If a foreclosure or trustee's sale is continued (rather than cancelled) to provide time to evaluate loss mitigation options, Servicer shall promptly notify borrower in writing of the new date of sale (without delaying any related foreclosure sale).
- 13. As indicated in paragraph I.A.18, Servicer shall send a statement to the borrower outlining loss mitigation efforts undertaken with respect to the borrower prior to foreclosure referral. If no loss mitigation efforts were offered or undertaken, Servicer shall state whether it contacted or attempted to contact the borrower and, if applicable, why the borrower was ineligible for a loan modification or other loss mitigation options.
- 14. Servicer shall ensure timely and accurate communication of or access to relevant loss mitigation status and changes in status to its foreclosure attorneys, bankruptcy attorneys and foreclosure trustees and, where applicable, to court-mandated mediators.

C. Single Point of Contact.

- 1. Servicer shall establish an easily accessible and reliable single point of contact ("SPOC") for each potentially-eligible first lien mortgage borrower so that the borrower has access to an employee of Servicer to obtain information throughout the loss mitigation, loan modification and foreclosure processes.
- 2. Servicer shall initially identify the SPOC to the borrower promptly after a potentially-eligible borrower requests loss mitigation assistance. Servicer shall provide one or more direct means of communication with the SPOC on loss mitigation-related correspondence with the borrower. Servicer shall promptly provide updated contact information to the borrower if the designated SPOC is reassigned, no longer employed by Servicer, or otherwise not able to act as the primary point of contact.
 - a. Servicer shall ensure that debtors in bankruptcy are assigned to a SPOC specially trained in bankruptcy issues.
- 3. The SPOC shall have primary responsibility for:
 - Communicating the options available to the borrower, the actions the borrower must take to be considered for these options and the status of Servicer's evaluation of the borrower for these options;
 - b. Coordinating receipt of all documents associated with loan modification or loss mitigation activities;
 - c. Being knowledgeable about the borrower's situation and current status in the delinquency/imminent default resolution process; and

- d. Ensuring that a borrower who is not eligible for MHA programs is considered for proprietary or other investor loss mitigation options.
- 4. The SPOC shall, at a minimum, provide the following services to borrowers:
 - a. Contact borrower and introduce himself/herself as the borrower's SPOC:
 - b. Explain programs for which the borrower is eligible;
 - c. Explain the requirements of the programs for which the borrower is eligible;
 - d. Explain program documentation requirements;
 - e. Provide basic information about the status of borrower's account, including pending loan modification applications, other loss mitigation alternatives, and foreclosure activity;
 - f. Notify borrower of missing documents and provide an address or electronic means for submission of documents by borrower in order to complete the loan modification application;
 - g. Communicate Servicer's decision regarding loan modification applications and other loss mitigation alternatives to borrower in writing;
 - h. Assist the borrower in pursuing alternative non-foreclosure options upon denial of a loan modification;
 - i. If a loan modification is approved, call borrower to explain the program;
 - j. Provide information regarding credit counseling where necessary;
 - k. Help to clear for borrower any internal processing requirements; and
 - Have access to individuals with the ability to stop foreclosure proceedings when necessary to comply with the MHA Program or this Agreement.
- 5. The SPOC shall remain assigned to borrower's account and available to borrower until such time as Servicer determines in good faith that all loss mitigation options have been exhausted, borrower's account becomes current or, in the case of a borrower in bankruptcy, the borrower has exhausted all loss mitigation options for which the borrower is potentially eligible and has applied.

- 6. Servicer shall ensure that a SPOC can refer and transfer a borrower to an appropriate supervisor upon request of the borrower.
- 7. Servicer shall ensure that relevant records relating to borrower's account are promptly available to the borrower's SPOC, so that the SPOC can timely, adequately and accurately inform the borrower of the current status of loss mitigation, loan modification, and foreclosure activities.
- 8. Servicer shall designate one or more management level employees to be the primary contact for the Attorneys General, state financial regulators, the Executive Office of U.S. Trustee, each regional office of the U.S. Trustee, and federal regulators for communication regarding complaints and inquiries from individual borrowers who are in default and/or have applied for loan modifications. Servicer shall provide a written acknowledgment to all such inquiries within 10 business days. Servicer shall provide a substantive written response to all such inquiries within 30 days. Servicer shall provide relevant loan information to borrower and to Attorneys General, state financial regulators, federal regulators, the Executive Office of the U.S. Trustee, and each U.S. Trustee upon written request and if properly authorized. A written complaint filed by a borrower and forwarded by a state attorney general or financial regulatory agency to Servicer shall be deemed to have proper authorization.
- 9. Servicer shall establish and make available to Chapter 13 trustees a toll-free number staffed by persons trained in bankruptcy to respond to inquiries from Chapter 13 trustees.
- D. Loss Mitigation Communications with Borrowers.
 - Servicer shall commence outreach efforts to communicate loss 1. mitigation options for first lien mortgage loans to all potentially eligible delinquent borrowers (other than those in bankruptcy) beginning on timelines that are in accordance with HAMP borrower solicitation guidelines set forth in the MHA Handbook version 3.2, Chapter II, Section 2.2, regardless of whether the borrower is eligible for a HAMP modification. Servicer shall provide borrowers with notices that include contact information for national or state foreclosure assistance hotlines and state housing counseling resources, as appropriate. The use by Servicer of nothing more than prerecorded automatic messages in loss mitigation communications with borrowers shall not be sufficient in those instances in which it fails to result in contact between the borrower and one of Servicer's loss mitigation specialists. Servicer shall conduct affirmative outreach efforts to inform delinquent second lien borrowers (other than those in bankruptcy)

- about the availability of payment reduction options. The foregoing notwithstanding, Servicer shall have no obligation to solicit borrowers who are in bankruptcy.
- 2. Servicer shall disclose and provide accurate information to borrowers relating to the qualification process and eligibility factors for loss mitigation programs.
- 3. Servicer shall communicate, at the written request of the borrower, with the borrower's authorized representatives, including housing counselors. Servicer shall communicate with representatives from state attorneys general and financial regulatory agencies acting upon a written complaint filed by the borrower and forwarded by the state attorney general or financial regulatory agency to Servicer. When responding to the borrower regarding such complaint, Servicer shall include the applicable state attorney general on all correspondence with the borrower regarding such complaint.
- 4. Servicer shall cease all collection efforts while the borrower (i) is making timely payments under a trial loan modification or (ii) has submitted a complete loan modification application, and a modification decision is pending. Notwithstanding the above, Servicer reserves the right to contact a borrower to gather required loss mitigation documentation or to assist a borrower with performance under a trial loan modification plan.
- 5. Servicer shall consider partnering with third parties, including national chain retailers, and shall consider the use of select bank branches affiliated with Servicer, to set up programs to allow borrowers to copy, fax, scan, transmit by overnight delivery, or mail or email documents to Servicer free of charge.
- 6. Within five business days after referral to foreclosure, the Servicer (including any attorney (or trustee) conducting foreclosure proceedings at the direction of the Servicer) shall send a written communication ("Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter") to the borrower that includes clear language that:
 - a. The Servicer may have sent to the borrower one or more borrower solicitation communications;
 - b. The borrower can still be evaluated for alternatives to foreclosure even if he or she had previously shown no interest;
 - c. The borrower should contact the Servicer to obtain a loss mitigation application package;
 - d. The borrower must submit a loan modification application

- to the Servicer to request consideration for available foreclosure prevention alternatives;
- e. Provides the Servicer's contact information for submitting a complete loan modification application, including the Servicer's toll-free number; and
- f. Unless the form of letter is otherwise specified by investor directive or state law or the borrower is not eligible for an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3.a, states that if the borrower is contemplating or has pending an appeal of an earlier denial of a loan modification application, that he or she may submit a loan modification application in lieu of his or her appeal within 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter.

E. Development of Loan Portals.

- 1. Servicer shall develop or contract with a third-party vendor to develop an online portal linked to Servicer's primary servicing system where borrowers can check, at no cost, the status of their first lien loan modifications.
- 2. Servicer shall design portals that may, among other things:
 - a. Enable borrowers to submit documents electronically;
 - b. Provide an electronic receipt for any documents submitted;
 - c. Provide information and eligibility factors for proprietary loan modification and other loss mitigation programs; and
 - d. Permit Servicer to communicate with borrowers to satisfy any written communications required to be provided by Servicer, if borrowers submit documents electronically.
- 3. Servicer shall participate in the development and implementation of a neutral, nationwide loan portal system linked to Servicer's primary servicing system, such as Hope LoanPort to enhance communications with housing counselors, including using the technology used for the Borrower Portal, and containing similar features to the Borrower Portal.
- 4. Servicer shall update the status of each pending loan modification on these portals at least every 10 business days and ensure that each portal is updated on such a schedule as to maintain consistency.

F. Loan Modification Timelines.

1. Servicer shall provide written acknowledgement of the receipt of documentation submitted by the borrower in connection with a first lien loan modification application within 3 business days. In

- its initial acknowledgment, Servicer shall briefly describe the loan modification process and identify deadlines and expiration dates for submitted documents.
- 2. Servicer shall notify borrower of any known deficiency in borrower's initial submission of information, no later than 5 business days after receipt, including any missing information or documentation required for the loan modification to be considered complete.
- 3. Subject to section IV.B, Servicer shall afford borrower 30 days from the date of Servicer's notification of any missing information or documentation to supplement borrower's submission of information prior to making a determination on whether or not to grant an initial loan modification.
- 4. Servicer shall review the complete first lien loan modification application submitted by borrower and shall determine the disposition of borrower's trial or preliminary loan modification request no later than 30 days after receipt of the complete loan modification application, absent compelling circumstances beyond Servicer's control.
- 5. Servicer shall implement processes to ensure that second lien loan modification requests are evaluated on a timely basis. When a borrower qualifies for a second lien loan modification after a first lien loan modification in accordance with Section 2.c.i of the General Framework for Consumer Relief Provisions, the Servicer of the second lien loan shall (absent compelling circumstances beyond Servicer's control) send loan modification documents to borrower no later than 45 days after the Servicer receives official notification of the successful completion of the related first lien loan modification and the essential terms.
- 6. For all proprietary first lien loan modification programs, Servicer shall allow properly submitted borrower financials to be used for 90 days from the date the documents are received, unless Servicer learns that there has been a material change in circumstances or unless investor requirements mandate a shorter time frame.
- 7. Servicer shall notify borrowers of the final denial of any first lien loan modification request within 10 business days of the denial decision. The notification shall be in the form of the non-approval notice required in paragraph IV.G.1 below.
- G. Independent Evaluation of First Lien Loan Modification Denials.
 - 1. Except when evaluated as provided in paragraphs IV.B.8 or IV.B.9, Servicer's initial denial of an eligible borrower's request for first lien loan modification following the submission of a

complete loan modification application shall be subject to an independent evaluation. Such evaluation shall be performed by an independent entity or a different employee who has not been involved with the particular loan modification.

2. Denial Notice.

- a. When a first lien loan modification is denied after independent review, Servicer shall send a written non-approval notice to the borrower identifying the reasons for denial and the factual information considered. The notice shall inform the borrower that he or she has 30 days from the date of the denial letter declination to provide evidence that the eligibility determination was in error.
- b. If the first lien modification is denied because disallowed by investor, Servicer shall disclose in the written non-approval notice the name of the investor and summarize the reasons for investor denial.
- c. For those cases where a first lien loan modification denial is the result of an NPV calculation, Servicer shall provide in the written non-approval notice the monthly gross income and property value used in the calculation.

3. Appeal Process.

- After the automatic review in paragraph IV.G.1 has been a. completed and Servicer has issued the written non-approval notice, in the circumstances described in the first sentences of paragraphs IV.B.3, IV.B.5 or IV.B.7, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, borrowers shall have 30 days to request an appeal and obtain an independent review of the first lien loan modification denial in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Servicer shall ensure that the borrower has 30 days from the date of the written non-approval notice to provide information as to why Servicer's determination of eligibility for a loan modification was in error, unless the reason for non-approval is (1) ineligible mortgage, (2) ineligible property, (3) offer not accepted by borrower or request withdrawn, or (4) the loan was previously modified.
- b. For those cases in which the first lien loan modification denial is the result of an NPV calculation, if a borrower disagrees with the property value used by Servicer in the NPV test, the borrower can request that a full appraisal be conducted of the property by an independent licensed appraiser (at borrower expense) consistent with HAMP

- directive 10-15. Servicer shall comply with the process set forth in HAMP directive 10-15, including using such value in the NPV calculation.
- c. Servicer shall review the information submitted by borrower and use its best efforts to communicate the disposition of borrower's appeal to borrower no later than 30 days after receipt of the information.
- d. If Servicer denies borrower's appeal, Servicer's appeal denial letter shall include a description of other available loss mitigation, including short sales and deeds in lieu of foreclosure.

H. General Loss Mitigation Requirements.

- 1. Servicer shall maintain adequate staffing and systems for tracking borrower documents and information that are relevant to foreclosure, loss mitigation, and other Servicer operations. Servicer shall make periodic assessments to ensure that its staffing and systems are adequate.
- 2. Servicer shall maintain adequate staffing and caseload limits for SPOCs and employees responsible for handling foreclosure, loss mitigation and related communications with borrowers and housing counselors. Servicer shall make periodic assessments to ensure that its staffing and systems are adequate.
- 3. Servicer shall establish reasonable minimum experience, educational and training requirements for loss mitigation staff.
- 4. Servicer shall document electronically key actions taken on a foreclosure, loan modification, bankruptcy, or other servicing file, including communications with the borrower.
- 5. Servicer shall not adopt compensation arrangements for its employees that encourage foreclosure over loss mitigation alternatives.
- 6. Servicer shall not make inaccurate payment delinquency reports to credit reporting agencies when the borrower is making timely reduced payments pursuant to a trial or other loan modification agreement. Servicer shall provide the borrower, prior to entering into a trial loan modification, with clear and conspicuous written information that adverse credit reporting consequences may result from the borrower making reduced payments during the trial period.
- 7. Where Servicer grants a loan modification, Servicer shall provide borrower with a copy of the fully executed loan modification agreement within 45 days of receipt of the executed copy from the

- borrower. If the modification is not in writing, Servicer shall provide the borrower with a written summary of its terms, as promptly as possible, within 45 days of the approval of the modification.
- 8. Servicer shall not instruct, advise or recommend that borrowers go into default in order to qualify for loss mitigation relief.
- 9. Servicer shall not discourage borrowers from working or communicating with legitimate non-profit housing counseling services.
- 10. Servicer shall not, in the ordinary course, require a borrower to waive or release claims and defenses as a condition of approval for a loan modification program or other loss mitigation relief. However, nothing herein shall preclude Servicer from requiring a waiver or release of claims and defenses with respect to a loan modification offered in connection with the resolution of a contested claim, when the borrower would not otherwise be qualified for the loan modification under existing Servicer programs.
- 11. Servicer shall not charge borrower an application fee in connection with a request for a loan modification. Servicer shall provide borrower with a pre-paid overnight envelope or pre-paid address label for return of a loan modification application.
- 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and to minimize the risk of borrowers submitting multiple loss mitigation requests for the purpose of delay, Servicer shall not be obligated to evaluate requests for loss mitigation options from (a) borrowers who have already been evaluated or afforded a fair opportunity to be evaluated consistent with the requirements of HAMP or proprietary modification programs, or (b) borrowers who were evaluated after the date of implementation of this Agreement, consistent with this Agreement, unless there has been a material change in the borrower's financial circumstances that is documented by borrower and submitted to Servicer.
- I. Proprietary First Lien Loan Modifications.
 - 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on its qualification processes, all required documentation and information necessary for a complete first lien loan modification application, and key eligibility factors for all proprietary loan modifications.
 - 2. Servicer shall design proprietary first lien loan modification programs that are intended to produce sustainable modifications according to investor guidelines and previous results. Servicer

- shall design these programs with the intent of providing affordable payments for borrowers needing longer term or permanent assistance.
- 3. Servicer shall track outcomes and maintain records regarding characteristics and performance of proprietary first lien loan modifications. Servicer shall provide a description of modification waterfalls, eligibility criteria, and modification terms, on a publicly-available website.
- 4. Servicer shall not charge any application or processing fees for proprietary first lien loan modifications.
- J. Proprietary Second Lien Loan Modifications.
 - 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on its qualification processes, all required documentation and information necessary for a complete second lien modification application.
 - 2. Servicer shall design second lien modification programs with the intent of providing affordable payments for borrowers needing longer term or permanent assistance.
 - 3. Servicer shall not charge any application or processing fees for second lien modifications.
 - 4. When an eligible borrower with a second lien submits all required information for a second lien loan modification and the modification request is denied, Servicer shall promptly send a written non-approval notice to the borrower.

K. Short Sales.

- 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on general requirements for the short sale process.
- 2. Servicer shall consider appropriate monetary incentives to underwater borrowers to facilitate short sale options.
- 3. Servicer shall develop a cooperative short sale process which allows the borrower the opportunity to engage with Servicer to pursue a short sale evaluation prior to putting home on the market.
- 4. Servicer shall send written confirmation of the borrower's first request for a short sale to the borrower or his or her agent within 10 business days of receipt of the request and proper written authorization from the borrower allowing Servicer to communicate with the borrower's agent. The confirmation shall include basic information about the short sale process and Servicer's requirements, and will state clearly and conspicuously that the

- Servicer may demand a deficiency payment if such deficiency claim is permitted by applicable law.
- 5. Servicer shall send borrower at borrower's address of record or to borrower's agent timely written notice of any missing required documents for consideration of short sale within 30 days of receiving borrower's request for a short sale.
- 6. Servicer shall review the short sale request submitted by borrower and communicate the disposition of borrower's request no later than 30 days after receipt of all required information and third-party consents.
- 7. If the short sale request is accepted, Servicer shall contemporaneously notify the borrower whether Servicer or investor will demand a deficiency payment or related cash contribution and the approximate amount of that deficiency, if such deficiency obligation is permitted by applicable law. If the short sale request is denied, Servicer shall provide reasons for the denial in the written notice. If Servicer waives a deficiency claim, it shall not sell or transfer such claim to a third-party debt collector or debt buyer for collection.
- L. Loss Mitigation During Bankruptcy.
 - 1. Servicer may not deny any loss mitigation option to eligible borrowers on the basis that the borrower is a debtor in bankruptcy so long as borrower and any trustee cooperates in obtaining any appropriate approvals or consents.
 - 2. Servicer shall, to the extent reasonable, extend trial period loan modification plans as necessary to accommodate delays in obtaining bankruptcy court approvals or receiving full remittance of debtor's trial period payments that have been made to a chapter 13 trustee. In the event of a trial period extension, the debtor must make a trial period payment for each month of the trial period, including any extension month.
 - 3. When the debtor is in compliance with a trial period or permanent loan modification plan, Servicer will not object to confirmation of the debtor's chapter 13 plan, move to dismiss the pending bankruptcy case, or file a MRS solely on the basis that the debtor paid only the amounts due under the trial period or permanent loan modification plan, as opposed to the non-modified mortgage payments.
- M. Transfer of Servicing of Loans Pending for Permanent Loan Modification.
 - 1. Ordinary Transfer of Servicing from Servicer to Successor Servicer or Subservicer.

- a. At time of transfer or sale, Servicer shall inform successor servicer (including a subservicer) whether a loan modification is pending.
- b. Any contract for the transfer or sale of servicing rights shall obligate the successor servicer to accept and continue processing pending loan modification requests.
- c. Any contract for the transfer or sale of servicing rights shall obligate the successor servicer to honor trial and permanent loan modification agreements entered into by prior servicer.
- d. Any contract for transfer or sale of servicing rights shall designate that borrowers are third party beneficiaries under paragraphs IV.M.1.b and IV.M.1.c, above.
- 2. Transfer of Servicing to Servicer. When Servicer acquires servicing rights from another servicer, Servicer shall ensure that it will accept and continue to process pending loan modification requests from the prior servicer, and that it will honor trial and permanent loan modification agreements entered into by the prior servicer.

V. PROTECTIONS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL.

- A. Servicer shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), 50 U.S.C. Appx. § 501 *et seq.*, and any applicable state law offering protections to servicemembers, and shall engage an independent consultant whose duties shall include a review of (a) all foreclosures in which an SCRA-eligible servicemember is known to have been an obligor or mortgagor, and (b) a sample of foreclosure actions (which sample will be appropriately enlarged to the extent Servicer identifies material exceptions), from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 to determine whether the foreclosures were in compliance with the SCRA. Servicer shall remediate all monetary damages in compliance with the banking regulator Consent Orders.
- B. When a borrower states that he or she is or was within the preceding 9 months (or the then applicable statutory period under the SCRA) in active military service or has received and is subject to military orders requiring him or her to commence active military service, Lender shall determine whether the borrower may be eligible for the protections of the SCRA or for the protections of the provisions of paragraph V.F. If Servicer determines the borrower is so eligible, Servicer shall, until Servicer determines that such customer is no longer protected by the SCRA,
 - 1. if such borrower is not entitled to a SPOC, route such customers to employees who have been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA to respond to such borrower's questions, or

- 2. if such borrower is entitled to a SPOC, designate as a SPOC for such borrower a person who has been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA (Servicemember SPOC).
- C. Servicer shall, in addition to any other reviews it may perform to assess eligibility under the SCRA, (i) before referring a loan for foreclosure, (ii) within seven days before a foreclosure sale, and (iii) the later of (A) promptly after a foreclosure sale and (B) within three days before the regularly scheduled end of any redemption period, determine whether the secured property is owned by a servicemember covered under SCRA by searching the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) for evidence of SCRA eligibility by either (a) last name and social security number, or (b) last name and date of birth.
- D. When a servicemember provides written notice requesting protection under the SCRA relating to interest rate relief, but does not provide the documentation required by Section 207(b)(1) of the SCRA (50 USC Appx. § 527(b)(1)), Servicer shall accept, in lieu of the documentation required by Section 207(b)(1) of the SCRA, a letter on official letterhead from the servicemember's commanding officer including a contact telephone number for confirmation:
 - 1. Addressed in such a way as to signify that the commanding officer recognizes that the letter will be relied on by creditors of the servicemember (a statement that the letter is intended to be relied upon by the Servicemember's creditors would satisfy this requirement);
 - 2. Setting forth the full name (including middle initial, if any), Social Security number and date of birth of the servicemember;
 - 3. Setting forth the home address of the servicemember; and
 - 4. Setting forth the date of the military orders marking the beginning of the period of military service of the servicemember and, as may be applicable, that the military service of the servicemember is continuing or the date on which the military service of the servicemember ended.
- E. Servicer shall notify customers who are 45 days delinquent that, if they are a servicemember, (a) they may be entitled to certain protections under the SCRA regarding the servicemember's interest rate and the risk of foreclosure, and (b) counseling for covered servicemembers is available at agencies such as Military OneSource, Armed Forces Legal Assistance, and a HUD-certified housing counselor. Such notice shall include a toll-free number that servicemembers may call to be connected to a person who has been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA to respond to such borrower's questions. Such telephone number shall either connect directly to such a person or afford a caller the ability to identify

- him- or herself as an eligible servicemember and be routed to such persons. Servicers hereby confirm that they intend to take reasonable steps to ensure the dissemination of such toll-free number to customers who may be eligible servicemembers.
- F. Irrespective of whether a mortgage obligation was originated before or during the period of a servicemember's military service, if, based on the determination described in the last sentence and subject to Applicable Requirements, a servicemember's military orders (or any letter complying with paragraph V.D), together with any other documentation satisfactory to the Servicer, reflects that the servicemember is (a) eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay and (b) serving at a location (i) more than 750 miles from the location of the secured property or (ii) outside of the United States, then to the extent consistent with Applicable Requirements, the Servicer shall not sell, foreclose, or seize a property for a breach of an obligation on real property owned by a servicemember that is secured by mortgage, deed of trust, or other security in the nature of a mortgage, during, or within 9 months after, the period in which the servicemember is eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay, unless either (i) Servicer has obtained a court order granted before such sale, foreclosure, or seizure with a return made and approved by the court, or (ii) if made pursuant to an agreement as provided in section 107 of the SCRA (50 U.S.C. Appx. § 517). Unless a servicemember's eligibility for the protection under this paragraph can be fully determined by a proper search of the DMDC website, Servicer shall only be obligated under this provision if it is able to determine, based on a servicemember's military orders (or any letter complying with paragraph V.D), together with any other documentation provided by or on behalf of the servicemember that is satisfactory to the Servicer, that the servicemember is (a) eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay and (b) serving at a location (i) more than 750 miles from the location of the secured property or (ii) outside of the United States.
- G. Servicer shall not require a servicemember to be delinquent to qualify for a short sale, loan modification, or other loss mitigation relief if the servicemember is suffering financial hardship and is otherwise eligible for such loss mitigation. Subject to Applicable Requirements, for purposes of assessing financial hardship in relation to (i) a short sale or deed in lieu transaction, Servicer will take into account whether the servicemember is, as a result of a permanent change of station order, required to relocate even if such servicemember's income has not been decreased, so long as the servicemember does not have sufficient liquid assets to make his or her monthly mortgage payments, or (ii) a loan modification, Servicer will take into account whether the servicemember is, as a result of his or her under military orders required to relocate to a new duty station at least seventy five mile from his or her residence/secured property or to reside at a location other than the residence/secured property, and accordingly is

- unable personally to occupy the residence and (a) the residence will continue to be occupied by his or her dependents, or (b) the residence is the only residential property owned by the servicemember.
- H. Servicer shall not make inaccurate reports to credit reporting agencies when a servicemember, who has not defaulted before relocating under military orders to a new duty station, obtains a short sale, loan modification, or other loss mitigation relief.

VI. RESTRICTIONS ON SERVICING FEES.

- A. General Requirements.
 - 1. All default, foreclosure and bankruptcy-related service fees, including third-party fees, collected from the borrower by Servicer shall be bona fide, reasonable in amount, and disclosed in detail to the borrower as provided in paragraphs I.B.10 and VI.B.1.
- B. Specific Fee Provisions.
 - 1. Schedule of Fees. Servicer shall maintain and keep current a schedule of common non-state specific fees or ranges of fees that may be charged to borrowers by or on behalf of Servicer. Servicer shall make this schedule available on its website and to the borrower or borrower's authorized representative upon request. The schedule shall identify each fee, provide a plain language explanation of the fee, and state the maximum amount of the fee or how the fee is calculated or determined.
 - 2. Servicer may collect a default-related fee only if the fee is for reasonable and appropriate services actually rendered and one of the following conditions is met:
 - a. the fee is expressly or generally authorized by the loan instruments and not prohibited by law or this Agreement;
 - b. the fee is permitted by law and not prohibited by the loan instruments or this Agreement; or
 - c. the fee is not prohibited by law, this Agreement or the loan instruments and is a reasonable fee for a specific service requested by the borrower that is collected only after clear and conspicuous disclosure of the fee is made available to the borrower.
 - 3. Attorneys' Fees. In addition to the limitations in paragraph VI.B.2 above, attorneys' fees charged in connection with a foreclosure action or bankruptcy proceeding shall only be for work actually performed and shall not exceed reasonable and customary fees for such work. In the event a foreclosure action is terminated prior to the final judgment and/or sale for a loss mitigation option, a

reinstatement, or payment in full, the borrower shall be liable only for reasonable and customary fees for work actually performed.

4. Late Fees.

- a. Servicer shall not collect any late fee or delinquency charge when the only delinquency is attributable to late fees or delinquency charges assessed on an earlier payment, and the payment is otherwise a full payment for the applicable period and is paid on or before its due date or within any applicable grace period.
- b. Servicer shall not collect late fees (i) based on an amount greater than the past due amount; (ii) collected from the escrow account or from escrow surplus without the approval of the borrower; or (iii) deducted from any regular payment.
- c. Servicer shall not collect any late fees for periods during which (i) a complete loan modification application is under consideration; (ii) the borrower is making timely trial modification payments; or (iii) a short sale offer is being evaluated by Servicer.

C. Third-Party Fees.

- 1. Servicer shall not impose unnecessary or duplicative property inspection, property preservation or valuation fees on the borrower, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. No property preservation fees shall be imposed on eligible borrowers who have a pending application with Servicer for loss mitigation relief or are performing under a loss mitigation program, unless Servicer has a reasonable basis to believe that property preservation is necessary for the maintenance of the property, such as when the property is vacant or listed on a violation notice from a local jurisdiction:
 - No property inspection fee shall be imposed on a borrower any more frequently than the timeframes allowed under GSE or HUD guidelines unless Servicer has identified specific circumstances supporting the need for further property inspections; and
 - c. Servicer shall be limited to imposing property valuation fees (*e.g.*, BPO) to once every 12 months, unless other valuations are requested by the borrower to facilitate a short sale or to support a loan modification as outlined in paragraph IV.G.3.a, or required as part of the default or

foreclosure valuation process.

- 2. Default, foreclosure and bankruptcy-related services performed by third parties shall be at reasonable market value.
- 3. Servicer shall not collect any fee for default, foreclosure or bankruptcy-related services by an affiliate unless the amount of the fee does not exceed the lesser of (a) any fee limitation or allowable amount for the service under applicable state law, and (b) the market rate for the service. To determine the market rate, Servicer shall obtain annual market reviews of its affiliates' pricing for such default and foreclosure-related services; such market reviews shall be performed by a qualified, objective, independent third-party professional using procedures and standards generally accepted in the industry to yield accurate and reliable results. The independent third-party professional shall determine in its market survey the price actually charged by third-party affiliates and by independent third party vendors.
- 4. Servicer shall be prohibited from collecting any unearned fee, or giving or accepting referral fees in relation to third-party default or foreclosure-related services.
- 5. Servicer shall not impose its own mark-ups on Servicer initiated third-party default or foreclosure-related services.

D. Certain Bankruptcy Related Fees.

- 1. Servicer must not collect any attorney's fees or other charges with respect to the preparation or submission of a POC or MRS document that is withdrawn or denied, or any amendment thereto that is required, as a result of a substantial misstatement by Servicer of the amount due.
- 2. Servicer shall not collect late fees due to delays in receiving full remittance of debtor's payments, including trial period or permanent modification payments as well as post-petition conduit payments in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b)(5), that debtor has timely (as defined by the underlying Chapter 13 plan) made to a chapter 13 trustee.

VII. FORCE-PLACED INSURANCE.

- A. General Requirements for Force-Placed Insurance.
 - 1. Servicer shall not obtain force-placed insurance unless there is a reasonable basis to believe the borrower has failed to comply with the loan contract's requirements to maintain property insurance. For escrowed accounts, Servicer shall continue to advance payments for the homeowner's existing policy, unless the borrower or insurance company cancels the existing policy.

- For purposes of this section VII, the term "force-placed insurance" means hazard insurance coverage obtained by Servicer when the borrower has failed to maintain or renew hazard or wind insurance on such property as required of the borrower under the terms of the mortgage.
- 2. Servicer shall not be construed as having a reasonable basis for obtaining force-placed insurance unless the requirements of this section VII have been met.
- 3. Servicer shall not impose any charge on any borrower for forceplaced insurance with respect to any property securing a federally related mortgage unless:
 - a. Servicer has sent, by first-class mail, a written notice to the borrower containing:
 - i. A reminder of the borrower's obligation to maintain hazard insurance on the property securing the federally related mortgage;
 - ii. A statement that Servicer does not have evidence of insurance coverage of such property;
 - iii. A clear and conspicuous statement of the procedures by which the borrower may demonstrate that the borrower already has insurance coverage;
 - iv. A statement that Servicer may obtain such coverage at the borrower's expense if the borrower does not provide such demonstration of the borrower's existing coverage in a timely manner;
 - v. A statement that the cost of such coverage may be significantly higher than the cost of the homeowner's current coverage;
 - vi. For first lien loans on Servicer's primary servicing system, a statement that, if the borrower desires to maintain his or her voluntary policy, Servicer will offer an escrow account and advance the premium due on the voluntary policy if the borrower: (a) accepts the offer of the escrow account; (b) provides a copy of the invoice from the voluntary carrier; (c) agrees in writing to reimburse the escrow advances through regular escrow payments; (d) agrees to escrow to both repay the advanced premium and to pay for the future premiums necessary to maintain any required insurance policy; and (e) agrees Servicer shall manage the escrow account in

- accordance with the loan documents and with state and federal law; and
- vii. A statement, in the case of single interest coverage, that the coverage may only protect the mortgage holder's interest and not the homeowner's interest.
- b. Servicer has sent, by first-class mail, a second written notice, at least 30 days after the mailing of the notice under paragraph VII.A.3.a that contains all the information described in each clause of such paragraph.
- c. Servicer has not received from the borrower written confirmation of hazard insurance coverage for the property securing the mortgage by the end of the 15-day period beginning on the date the notice under paragraph VII.A.3.b was sent by Servicer.
- 4. Servicer shall accept any reasonable form of written confirmation from a borrower or the borrower's insurance agent of existing insurance coverage, which shall include the existing insurance policy number along with the identity of, and contact information for, the insurance company or agent.
- 5. Servicer shall not place hazard or wind insurance on a mortgaged property, or require a borrower to obtain or maintain such insurance, in excess of the greater of replacement value, last-known amount of coverage or the outstanding loan balance, unless required by Applicable Requirements, or requested by borrower in writing.
- 6. Within 15 days of the receipt by Servicer of evidence of a borrower's existing insurance coverage, Servicer shall:
 - a. Terminate the force-placed insurance; and
 - b. Refund to the consumer all force-placed insurance premiums paid by the borrower during any period during which the borrower's insurance coverage and the force placed insurance coverage were each in effect, and any related fees charged to the consumer's account with respect to the force-placed insurance during such period.
- 7. Servicer shall make reasonable efforts to work with the borrower to continue or reestablish the existing homeowner's policy if there is a lapse in payment and the borrower's payments are escrowed.
- 8. Any force-placed insurance policy must be purchased for a commercially reasonable price.

9. No provision of this section VII shall be construed as prohibiting Servicer from providing simultaneous or concurrent notice of a lack of flood insurance pursuant to section 102(e) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

VIII. GENERAL SERVICER DUTIES AND PROHIBITIONS.

- A. Measures to Deter Community Blight.
 - 1. Servicer shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that REO properties do not become blighted.
 - 2. Servicer shall develop and implement policies and procedures to enhance participation and coordination with state and local land bank programs, neighborhood stabilization programs, nonprofit redevelopment programs, and other anti-blight programs, including those that facilitate discount sale or donation of low-value REO properties so that they can be demolished or salvaged for productive use.
 - 3. As indicated in I.A.18, Servicer shall (a) inform borrower that if the borrower continues to occupy the property, he or she has responsibility to maintain the property, and an obligation to continue to pay taxes owed, until a sale or other title transfer action occurs; and (b) request that if the borrower wishes to abandon the property, he or she contact Servicer to discuss alternatives to foreclosure under which borrower can surrender the property to Servicer in exchange for compensation.
 - 4. When the Servicer makes a determination not to pursue foreclosure action on a property with respect to a first lien mortgage loan, Servicer shall:
 - a. Notify the borrower of Servicer's decision to release the lien and not pursue foreclosure, and inform borrower about his or her right to occupy the property until a sale or other title transfer action occurs; and
 - b. Notify local authorities, such as tax authorities, courts, or code enforcement departments, when Servicer decides to release the lien and not pursue foreclosure.

B. Tenants' Rights.

- 1. Servicer shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws governing the rights of tenants living in foreclosed residential properties.
- 2. Servicer shall develop and implement written policies and procedures to ensure compliance with such laws.

IX. GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEFINITIONS, AND IMPLEMENTATION.

A. Applicable Requirements.

- The servicing standards and any modifications or other actions taken in accordance with the servicing standards are expressly subject to, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, (a) applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, any requirements of the federal banking regulators, (b) the terms of the applicable mortgage loan documents, (c) Section 201 of the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act of 2009, and (d) the terms and provisions of the Servicer Participation Agreement with the Department of Treasury, any servicing agreement, subservicing agreement under which Servicer services for others, special servicing agreement, mortgage or bond insurance policy or related agreement or requirements to which Servicer is a party and by which it or its servicing is bound pertaining to the servicing or ownership of the mortgage loans, including without limitation the requirements, binding directions, or investor guidelines of the applicable investor (such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac), mortgage or bond insurer, or credit enhancer (collectively, the "Applicable Requirements").
- 2. In the event of a conflict between the requirements of the Agreement and the Applicable Requirements with respect to any provision of this Agreement such that the Servicer cannot comply without violating Applicable Requirements or being subject to adverse action, including fines and penalties, Servicer shall document such conflicts and notify the Monitor and the Monitoring Committee that it intends to comply with the Applicable Requirements to the extent necessary to eliminate the conflict. Any associated Metric provided for in the Enforcement Terms will be adjusted accordingly.

B. Definitions.

- 1. In each instance in this Agreement in which Servicer is required to ensure adherence to, or undertake to perform certain obligations, it is intended to mean that Servicer shall: (a) authorize and adopt such actions on behalf of Servicer as may be necessary for Servicer to perform such obligations and undertakings; (b) follow up on any material non-compliance with such actions in a timely and appropriate manner; and (c) require corrective action be taken in a timely manner of any material non-compliance with such obligations.
- 2. References to Servicer shall mean Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo & Company and shall include Servicer's successors and assignees in the event of a sale of all or substantially all of the

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assets of Servicer or of Servicer's division(s) or major business unit(s) that are engaged as a primary business in customer-facing servicing of residential mortgages on owner-occupied properties. The provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to those divisions or major business units of Servicer that are not engaged as a primary business in customer-facing servicing of residential mortgages on owner-occupied one-to-four family properties on its own behalf or on behalf of investors.

EXHIBIT B

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

- 1. Any amount of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount that is not distributed pursuant to Paragraph 2 shall be distributed as follows.
 - a. Federal Payment Settlement Amount. The Escrow Agent shall distribute
 \$911,777,917.00 (the "Federal Payment Settlement Amount") to the United
 States in accordance with instructions to be provided by the United States.
 - i. Of the Federal Payment Settlement Amount, \$684,090,417.00 shall, following payment of any amounts owed as a result of resolutions pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d), and subject to 28 U.S.C. § 527 (Note), be deposited for losses incurred into FHA's Capital Reserve Account, the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund (pursuant to 38 U.S.C. § 3722(c)(3), as being incident to housing loan operations) or as otherwise directed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and as directed by Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, in accordance with instructions from the United States. The United States intends that such deposits conform with the Miscellaneous Receipts Act and other law.
 - ii. The Federal Payment Settlement Amount includes resolution of the following qui tam actions: (i) \$75,000,000 from the claims in <u>United States ex rel. Lagow v. Countrywide Financial Corp., et al., Civil Action No. CV-09-2040 (E.D.N.Y.); (ii) \$45,000,000 from those claims in <u>United States ex rel. Bibby et al. v. JPMorgan Chase et al.</u>, No. 2:11-cv-00535-RHL-RJJ (N.D. Ga.) that are expressly released by the United States in this litigation; (iii) \$95,000,000 from those claims in <u>United States ex rel. Szymoniak v.</u></u>

[SEALED], Civ No. 0:10-cv-01465 (D.S.C.) and in United States ex rel. Szymoniak v. [SEALED], Civ No. 3:10-cv-575 (W.D.N.C.) that are expressly released by the United States in this litigation; (iv) \$6,500,000 from the claims in <u>United States ex rel. Mackler v.</u> Bank of America, N.A., et al., 11-CV-3270 (SLT) (E.D.N.Y.); and (v) \$6,187,500 from the claims in United States ex rel. Harris v. J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., et al., Civil Action No. 10-10068-GAO (D. Mass). Following payment of any amounts owed as a result of resolutions pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d), and subject to 28 U.S.C. § 527 (Note), these amounts shall be deposited into FHA's Capital Reserve Account and the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund (pursuant to 38 U.S.C. § 3722(c)(3), as being incident to housing loan operations) or as otherwise directed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, in accordance with instructions from the United States. The United States intends that such deposits conform with the Miscellaneous Receipts Act and other law.

- b. State Payment Settlement Amounts. In accordance with written instructions from each State Attorney General, the Escrow Agent shall distribute cash payments in the total amounts set forth in the attached Exhibit B-1.
 - i. Each State Attorney General shall designate the uses of the funds set forth in the attached Exhibit B-1. To the extent practicable, such funds shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the

foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices and to compensate the States for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties. Accordingly, each Attorney General has set forth general instructions for the funds in the attached Exhibit B-2.

- ii. No more than ten percent of the aggregate amount paid to the State

 Parties under this paragraph 1(b) may be designated as a civil

 penalty, fine, or similar payment. The remainder of the payments

 is intended to remediate the harms to the States and their

 communities resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the

 Defendant and to facilitate the implementation of the Borrower

 Payment Fund and consumer relief.
- 2. Of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount, \$1,579,813,925.00 shall be distributed as follows:

- a. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall make available \$1,489,813,925.00 to the Administrator to provide cash payments to borrowers whose homes were finally sold or taken in foreclosure between and including January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2011; who submit claims arising from the Covered Conduct; and who otherwise meet criteria set forth by the State members of the Monitoring Committee. Any amounts made available hereunder remain a part of the Qualified Settlement Fund until distributed to borrowers and shall be administered in accordance with the terms set forth in Exhibit C.
- b. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute
 \$15,000,000.00 to the National Association of Attorneys General
 (NAAG) to create and administer the "Financial Services and
 Consumer Protection Enforcement, Education and Training Fund."
 Such Fund shall be used to pay for expenses and training relating to the investigation and prosecution of cases involving fraud, unfair and deceptive acts and practices, and other illegal conduct related to financial services or state consumer protection laws. Illustrative examples include, but are not limited to, travel costs associated with investigation, litigation, or settlement of financial services or consumer protection cases; expert witness and consulting fees, training
 programs, NAAG Consumer Protection Conferences, information

- exchanges, public education campaigns, and other uses. The State members of the Monitoring Committee shall develop rules and regulations governing the Financial Services and Consumer Protection Enforcement, Education and Training Fund in a separate memorandum of understanding after this Consent Judgment has been entered.
- c. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute a total of \$10,000,000.00 to the members of the Executive Committee and the Ameriquest Financial Services Fund ("AMFSF") for reimbursement of costs and attorneys fees incurred during the investigation of this case and the settlement negotiations and for subsequent expenditures as authorized by each Attorney General. Such payments shall be made as designated by the Iowa Attorney General as the Chairman of the Executive Committee, and shall be made to the State Attorneys General of Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas, and Washington and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the Ameriquest Financial Services Fund. The authorized representatives of each state attorney general, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the AMFSF will provide a letter to the Escrow Agent directing how each separate payment should be made.

- d. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute \$65,000,000.00 to the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS). CSBS shall use \$15,000,000 to establish the "State Financial Regulation Fund," a fund to be managed and used by CSBS to support and improve state financial regulation and supervision. From the balance, CSBS shall transfer \$1,000,000 per state to the state financial regulators who have signed this Consent Judgment. Where multiple agencies within a single state claim regulatory jurisdiction, CSBS shall transfer that state's funds as provided in an agreement between or among those regulatory agencies. In addition, state financial regulators may, at their discretion, enter into an agreement with CSBS for the management and disbursement of all or a portion of the funds paid to them. If, for any reason, a state financial regulator elects to forego receipt of their transfer payment or in the case of a participating state where the state financial regulator declines to sign this Consent Judgment, such funds shall revert to the State Financial Regulation Fund.
- 3. Any interest earned on funds held by the Escrow Agent may be used, at the discretion of the State members of the Monitoring Committee, to pay the costs and expenses of the escrow or the costs and expenses of administration, including taxes, or for any other housing related purpose.

4. Notwithstanding any implication to the contrary in any of the provisions of Exhibit B-2, all instructions therein shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.b(i) and 1.b(ii) of this Exhibit B. If and to the extent any amounts are paid into a fund or escrow account established by a State Party that is not an integral part of the government of such State, it is intended that such fund or account be deemed a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-1 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. To the extent that any state designates any payments hereunder as a civil penalty, such state shall provide the Defendant(s), upon request, such information as is reasonably necessary for tax reporting purposes with respect to such civil penalty.

EXHIBIT B1

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STATE	DOLLAR ALLOCATION
AK	\$3,286,839
AL	\$25,305,692
AR	\$12,830,241
AZ	\$97,784,204
CA	\$410,576,996
СО	\$50,170,188
CT	\$26,102,142
DC	\$4,433,081
DE	\$7,913,923
FL	\$334,073,974
GA	\$99,365,105
HI	\$7,911,883
IA	\$14,651,922
ID	\$13,305,209
IL	\$105,806,405
IN	\$43,803,419
KS	\$13,778,401
KY	\$19,198,220
LA	\$21,741,560
MA	\$44,450,668
MD	\$59,697,470
ME	\$6,907,023
MI	\$97,209,465
MN	\$41,536,169
МО	\$39,583,212

STATE	DOLLAR ALLOCATION
MS	\$13,580,374
MT	\$4,858,276
NC	\$60,852,159
ND	\$1,947,666
NE	\$8,422,528
NH	\$9,575,447
NJ	\$72,110,727
NM	\$11,174,579
NV	\$57,368,430
NY	\$107,642,490
ОН	\$92,783,033
OR	\$29,253,190
PA	\$66,527,978
RI	\$8,500,755
SC	\$31,344,349
SD	\$2,886,824
TN	\$41,207,810
TX	\$134,628,489
UT	\$21,951,641
VA	\$66,525,233
VT	\$2,552,240
WA	\$54,242,749
WI	\$30,191,806
WV	\$5,748,915
WY	\$2,614,515

EXHIBIT B2

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ALABAMA

The Court awards the State of Alabama a judgment in the amount of \$25,305,692, which shall be paid by electronic transfer to the Office of the Attorney General. Of this amount, the Court awards \$2,530,569 dollars in civil penalties (or 10% of the total) as defined by and in accordance with Code of Alabama, 1975, \$8-19-11 for misconduct relating to the banks' robo-signing in violation of Alabama's Deceptive Trade Practices Act. The remaining amount shall be used by the Attorney General, at his sole discretion, for costs of investigation and litigation, for law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, and/or for public protection purposes, such as to defray the operating cost of any function of the Attorney General's Office that protects citizens, whether through investigation, representation, regulation, mediation, prosecution, victims' assistance, or consumer education concerning consumer-related financial or other crimes, or, at the sole discretion of the Attorney General, to be used for housing programs, housing counseling, legal assistance, foreclosure prevention hotlines, foreclosure mediation and investigation of financial fraud or other wrongdoing overseen by any division of the Attorney General's Office.

In addition, the Attorney General may distribute any amount from the funds, at his sole discretion, to other governmental entities or charitable organizations whose eleemosynary purposes benefit those affected by the aforementioned misconduct

ALASKA

Alaska's payment of \$3,286,839.00 shall be to the State of Alaska and delivered to the Office of the Attorney General, 1031 West 4th Avenue, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

<u>ARIZONA</u>

1. State Payment Settlement Amounts, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 1(b)(i) Arizona's share of the State Payment Settlement Amounts ("Funds") provided under this Consent Judgment, and any interest thereon, shall be made payable to the Office of the Arizona Attorney General. The Attorney General shall direct the use of the Funds in Arizona. The Funds shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices and to compensate the State for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties.

The Attorney General shall deposit the Funds with the State Treasurer and the Funds shall be held in a separate Court Ordered Trust Fund account and all interest thereon deposited into that account and used only for the purposes set forth herein.

2. <u>Executive Committee Payment, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 2(c)</u> Any funds paid to the Office of the Arizona Attorney General as reimbursement for attorneys fees and costs for serving on the Executive Committee, and any interest thereon, shall be deposited into the consumer fraud revolving fund pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1531.01 and used for the purposes set forth therein.

ARKANSAS

For the payment to the State of Arkansas as provided in Paragraph III (3) of the Consent Judgment, and it accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1. (b) of Exhibit B to the Consent Judgment, Attorney General Dustin McDaniel directs that the total anticipated sum of Twelve Million, Eight Hundred Thirty Thousand, two hundred and forty-one dollars (\$12,830,241) be paid to the State of Arkansas Office of the Attorney General (and delivered to Carol Thompson, Chief Financial Officer) to then be distributed by the Attorney General to the following entities for the following purposes:

- 1. To the Arkansas Development Finance Authority to fund programs that provide to Arkansas residents down payment assistance, financial literacy and mortgage and foreclosure counseling ,tax credit assistance, rental assistance, low-interest financing, land acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation construction, and reconstruction, the sum of Nine Million dollars (\$9,000,000.00);
- 2. To the Arkansas Access to Justice Commission to provide equal access to justice to Arkansas residents affected by the mortgage and foreclosure crisis, the sum of Two Million dollars (\$2,000,000.00);
- 3. To the University of Arkansas School of Law to support its legal aid clinic, which provides legal representation to low-income Arkansans, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000.00);
- 4. To the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law to support its legal aid clinic, which provides legal representation to low-income Arkansans, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000.00);

And, to the Arkansas Treasury the remaining funds for fees, costs, and the costs of investigation and pursuit of this matter, the sum of Eight Hundred Thirty Thousand, two hundred and forty-one dollars (\$830,241.00).

CALIFORNIA

The payment to the California Attorney General's Office shall be used as follows:

- a) Ten percent of the payment shall be paid as a civil penalty and deposited in the Unfair Competition Law Fund;
- b) The remainder shall be paid and deposited into a Special Deposit Fund created for the following purposes: for the administration of the terms of this Consent Judgment; monitoring compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment and enforcing the terms of this Consent Judgment; assisting in the implementation of the relief programs and servicing standards as described in this Consent Judgment; supporting the Attorney General's continuing investigation into misconduct in the origination, servicing, and securitization of residential mortgage loans; to fund consumer fraud education, investigation, enforcement operations, litigation, public protection and/or local consumer aid; to provide borrower relief; to fund grant programs to assist housing counselors or other legal aid agencies that represent homeowners, former homeowners, or renters in housing-related matters; to fund other matters, including grant programs, for the benefit of California homeowners affected by the mortgage/foreclosure crisis; or to engage and pay for third parties to develop or administer any of the programs or efforts described above.

COLORADO

- 1. State Payment Settlement Amounts, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 1(b)(i) The first \$1.0 Million paid to the State of Colorado pursuant to Ex. B, ¶ 1(b)(i), and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and used for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts. The remainder of the funds paid under this provision, and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and used for programs relating to foreclosure prevention, loan modification and housing and for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts.
- 2. Executive Committee Payment, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 2(c) The funds paid to the State of Colorado under Ex. B, ¶ 2(c), and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General for the following purposes. First, these funds, and any interest thereon, shall be used for reimbursement of the state's actual costs and attorney fees incurred in this matter. The remaining funds, and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and may be used for programs related to foreclosure prevention, loan modification and housing and for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts.

CONNECTICUT

The Escrow Agent shall pay up to \$2.2 million of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the State of Connecticut pursuant to paragraph 1(b) of Exhibit B of this

Consent Judgment to provide immediate assistance to Connecticut residents seeking to avoid foreclosure by funding housing counselor positions through the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and/or the Department of Economic and Community Development and by funding positions and other support to facilitate and expand the Judicial Branch's foreclosure related programs. All of the remaining Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the State of Connecticut pursuant to paragraph 1(b) of Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment shall be disbursed at the written instruction of the Office of the Attorney General after consultation by the Office of the Attorney General with the Office of Policy and Management and appropriate officials of the State of Connecticut as may be required by Connecticut law.

The Escrow Agent shall pay any Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the Office of the Attorney General pursuant to paragraph 2(c) of Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment to the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Fund, which funds shall be expended to fund protection and education of consumers, including, without limitation, legal assistance to Connecticut citizens seeking to avoid foreclosure, grants to non-profit legal aid organizations assisting Connecticut citizens seeking to avoid foreclosure, funding to support implementation of this Consent Judgment by the Office of the Attorney General, and for any other purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures and to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis.

DELAWARE

The amount of \$7,913,923.00 will be paid to the Delaware Department of Justice by wire transfer or certified check payable to the "State of Delaware – Consumer Protection Fund", which shall be used in the sole discretion of the Delaware Department of Justice exclusively for the following purposes related to consumer protection efforts to address the mortgage and foreclosure crisis, financial fraud and deception, and housing-related conduct: (1) investigations, enforcement operations, litigation, and other initiatives conducted or overseen by the Delaware Department of Justice Fraud Division, including training and staffing, (2) the Delaware Automatic Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program or any successor program, and (3) grants or other aid to agencies and organizations approved by the Delaware Department of Justice for consumer assistance, consumer education, credit and housing counseling, mediation programs, legal assistance, training, or staffing. If the payment is made by certified check, it shall be delivered to:

Delaware Department of Justice Fraud Division, Consumer Protection Unit 820 N. French Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801 ATTN: Ian R. McConnel, Division Chief

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

The payment for the District of Columbia shall be paid to the "D.C. Treasurer" in accordance with instructions provided by the Office of the Attorney General for the

District of Columbia. The payment shall be used by the District of Columbia Government, subject to appropriation, for one or more of the following purposes: (1) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related counseling, (2) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related legal assistance or advocacy, (3) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related mediation, (4) outreach and/or assistance to help current and former homeowners secure the benefits for which they are eligible under mortgage-related or foreclosure-related settlements or judgments, (5) enforcement work in the area of financial fraud or consumer protection.

FLORIDA

Of the payment identified in Exhibit B-1 that Defendants are making to settle this matter with the Attorney General, State of Florida, Department of Legal Affairs, 10% is to be paid to the State of Florida as a penalty; the remainder shall be held in escrow by the escrow agent for subsequent disbursement as directed in writing by the Florida Attorney General for purposes consistent with Exhibit B, paragraph 1b(i) of this consent judgment

GEORGIA

The State Settlement Payment Amount to Georgia shall be paid to the state treasury to the credit of the general fund and shall be available for appropriation by the General Assembly for any purpose permitted by state law, including, to the extent practicable but not limited to, those purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices, or to compensate Georgia for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants.

HAWAII

The monies are to be held in trust for the benefit of homeowners and others in the State of Hawaii who are, have been, or may be affected by mortgage loan proceedings. This includes, but is not limited to, those who have been subject to foreclosure, are in foreclosure, are at risk of foreclosure, have delinquent mortgage loan payments, have negative equity in their homes, have lost their homes due to foreclosure, have been unable to refinance their mortgage loans, or are leasing a dwelling affected by foreclosure. The monies shall be used for housing and financial counseling, public education, mediation, dispute resolution, and enforcement of laws and agreements protecting the rights of homeowners and lessees. The monies shall be used only for these purposes. The monies shall be deposited into an administrative trust account to be administered by the Attorney General of the State of Hawaii, who as custodian shall have sole discretion to make determinations as to the amounts and the purposes for which the monies are to be expended.

IDAHO

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 48-606(5), the money paid to the State of Idaho, as identified in Exhibit B-1 of the Consent Judgment, shall be remitted to the consumer protection fund.

ILLINOIS

The funds allocated to the Attorney General of Illinois shall be expended, in the sole discretion of the Attorney General, primarily for programs to avoid foreclosure and ameliorate the effects on homeowners of the foreclosure crisis, including without limitation, the funding of: legal assistance, housing counseling, administrative oversight for the funded programs by the Attorney General or others; to support law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair and deceptive acts or practices; and for such other purposes as directed by the Attorney General.

INDIANA

Pursuant to the terms of the Consent Judgment entered into between the (a) United States of America and the State Parties; and (b) the Defendants, the State of Indiana will accept and use its cash payments identified in Exhibit B-1 as follows:

- 1. The cash payment shall be made to the Office of the Indiana Attorney General.
- 2. A portion of the cash payment will be used for existing and new programs of the Attorney General, including but not limited to:
 - a. Consumer protection services and unfair and deceptive acts and practices investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes.
 - b. Homeowner protection services, investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes regarding mortgage lending and foreclosures.
 - c. Financial fraud protection services, investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes.
 - d. Education and training of counselors, facilitators, attorneys, investigators, and other stakeholders regarding the terms of the settlement.
- 3. To carry out the purposes of paragraph two (2), funds may be deposited in the following fund accounts and other related fund accounts as necessary:
 - a. Homeowner Protection Unit Fund
 - b. Consumer Fees and Settlements Fund

- c. Identity Theft Unit Fund
- d. Real Estate Appraiser Licensing Fund
- e. Telephone Solicitation Fund
- f. Consumer Assistance Program Fund
- 4. A portion of the cash payment will be used for a combination of existing and new programs created or administered by the Indiana General Assembly and state executive branch agencies, including but not limited to:
 - a. Housing counseling, foreclosure prevention, legal assistance, foreclosure mediation, victim assistance, and related purposes.
 - b. Settlement conferences, court facilitator services, and related purposes.
 - c. Land banks and related purposes.
 - d. Homeowner and renter energy assistance programs such as the Lower Income Hoosier Energy Assistance Program, with priority given to homeowners.
 - e. Workforce and job training programs to assist unemployed and underemployed state residents in increasing income to avoid foreclosure and obtain affordable housing.
 - f. Neighborhood stabilization programs and community blight remediation programs.
 - g. Law enforcement efforts and programs to prevent and address financial, consumer, mortgage lending, and mortgage foreclosure fraud.
 - h. Foreclosure prevention and assistance programs for military service members and veterans.
- 5. The Attorney General may allocate and designate up to ten percent of the cash payment as a civil penalty or fine.
- 6. The Attorney General shall allocate the cash payment among the identified purposes at his discretion based on the terms of the settlement.

IOWA

The Escrow Agent shall distribute the funds according to written direction received from the Attorney General of Iowa. The payment shall be used, at the sole discretion of the

Attorney General of Iowa, for any use permitted by law or this Consent Judgment, including but not limited to:

- 1) Purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, and to compensate the State of Iowa for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendant. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds further include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties.
- 2) Investigative and administrative costs in connection with the matters addressed herein, including costs incurred before and after the signing of this Consent Judgment.
- 3) Public education relating to consumer fraud, mortgage, housing and financial issues and for enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16, as referenced in Iowa Code section 714.16A.
- 4) Any other lawful purpose.

KANSAS

The Kansas Attorney General shall dedicate not less than 25 percent of any cash payment to the State of Kansas for the following purposes: 1) supporting the Attorney General's ongoing investigation and prosecution of suppliers in the housing and financial sectors who violate the law; 2) resolving consumer complaints filed with the Attorney General to prevent foreclosures and remedy mortgage servicing abuses suffered by Kansas consumers; and 3) defraying the investigative, administrative and consumer education costs associated with this settlement, including but not limited to the dedication of additional staff to monitor compliance with its terms. The remainder of any cash payment to the State of Kansas that is not dedicated to the above purposes shall be designated as a civil penalty and shall be deposited to the State General Fund for appropriation by the Legislature

KENTUCKY

The Office of the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Kentucky (hereinafter, the "Attorney General" and "the Commonwealth," respectively) shall direct the payment of \$19,198,220 to the Commonwealth in a manner consistent with the terms of the Consent Judgment to which this Exhibit B-2 refers, such that any funds distributed by the Attorney General shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures,

to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices, to address the collateral consequences of such conduct, and to compensate the Commonwealth for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such payments shall include:

- i) \$5,048,220 in agency restricted funds to directly compensate the Office of the Attorney General for the reasonable costs of investigation and litigation of the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants, and to finance, within the Office of the Attorney General, ongoing consumer protection actions including, but not limited to, actions addressing any conduct similar to the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants by any entity not released by the State Release contemporaneously executed with this Consent Judgment; any civil and criminal investigations emanating from any allegedly improper conduct not released pursuant to the State Release perpetrated by any Defendant or any other person or entity; investigations and potential litigation pertaining to MERS or any related entity involving mortgage assignments in the Commonwealth; and claims of fraud or improper conduct relating to the pooling of, marketing of, or sale of any securities product involving or containing mortgage related payment streams; and
- ii) \$14,150,000 to be distributed at the express direction of the Attorney General to agencies, organizations or entities to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices, to address the collateral consequences of such conduct, and to compensate the Commonwealth for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. The Kentucky Housing Corporation, for purposes including, but not limited to, mortgage assistance to Kentucky homeowners, down payments and/or closing costs assistance for qualifying homebuyers, state and local foreclosure prevention and mediation programs, housing rehabilitation and anti-blight projects;
 - b. The Kentucky Homeownership Protection Center, to provide homeownership and mortgage-related credit counseling to Kentucky consumers;
 - The four federally-funded civil legal aid service organizations within the Commonwealth, to provide housing-related legal assistance to low income consumers;
 - d. The Commonwealth's Unified Prosecutorial System ("UPS"), to support and sustain new and ongoing investigations and prosecutions relating to the foreclosure crisis and consequential criminal conduct plaguing local communities throughout the Commonwealth;

- e. The Commonwealth's Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI"), to assist in regulatory and educational efforts targeting financial services institutions subject to DFI's jurisdictional oversight, and consumers purchasing products and services from such institutions;
- f. The Commonwealth's Department of Public Health, to support and maintain consumer safety and injury prevention programs, including but not limited to, lead abatement programs affecting low income individuals or communities; and
- g. Within the discretion of the Attorney General, any other organization or entity substantially able to implement, manage, develop or support any program consistent with the aims of this settlement.

Funds directed to any agency, organization or entity by the Attorney General pursuant to the terms of this paragraph shall be appropriated, administered and expended consistent with the terms of KRS Chapter 48, as applicable.

LOUISIANA

Said payment shall be payable to the Louisiana Department of Justice Consumer Enforcement Fund and shall be used for investigation of mortgage and foreclosure matters, consumer protection law enforcement and education, litigation funds, public protection, reimbursement of costs and fees associated with the investigation of this matter, ensuring compliance under the terms of this agreement, federal, and state regulations, or for any other purpose, at the direction of the Attorney General, as permitted by state law.

MARYLAND

The settlement amount of \$59,697,470.00 shall be paid for the benefit of the citizens of the State of Maryland, of which the maximum of 10%, or \$5,969,747.00, shall be paid to the Office of the Attorney General of Maryland as a civil penalty to be deposited in the General Fund of the State of Maryland. The balance of \$53,727,723.00 shall be held in trust pursuant to paragraph 1.b. of Exhibit B to the Consent Order, to be disbursed only as directed by the Office of the Attorney General of Maryland and to be used only for housing and foreclosure-relief purposes and for related investigations and enforcement activities. These purposes and activities may include, but are not limited to, the provision of housing counseling, legal assistance, criminal or civil investigations of fraud related to housing and the securitization of mortgage loans, enforcement activities, foreclosure prevention, foreclosure remediation, restitution, and programs to address community blight or to fund other programs reasonably targeted to benefit persons harmed by mortgage fraud.

MASSACHUSETTS

Payment to Massachusetts ("the Payment") shall be payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and directed to the Office of the Attorney General, and shall be used, consistent with this paragraph, to provide consumer and community relief to remedy the alleged unfair and deceptive acts and practices that gave rise to this Consent Decree, allocated as follows:

- a) \$4.4 million shall be paid as a civil penalty pursuant to G.L. c. 93A, § 4;
- b) \$1.0 million shall be paid as costs and attorneys fees pursuant to G.L. c. 93A, § 4;
- c) \$1.5 million shall be used for the administration of the terms of this Consent Judgment, monitoring compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment and enforcing the terms of this Consent Judgment, assisting in the implementation of the relief programs and servicing standards as described in this Consent Judgment, and supporting the Attorney General's continuing investigation into misconduct in the origination, servicing, and securitization of residential mortgage loans; and
- d) the remainder of the Payment shall be used to establish the Consumer and Community Foreclosure Relief Fund ("the Fund") which shall be used, in the sole discretion of the Attorney General, to fund or assist in funding programs intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, mitigate the effects of foreclosures on borrowers and communities, provide compensation to borrowers, other persons and communities arising out of alleged unfair or deceptive acts or practices that gave rise to the Consent Decree, and/or enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices. The Fund may further be used to provide consumer education, outreach, local consumer aid funds, consumer protection enforcement funds, and public protection funds or for other uses permitted by state law.

MAINE

Funds paid to the Maine Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection shall be deposited in the nonlapsing, dedicated account authorized to accept funds from any public or private source as described in 14 MRS § 6112(4) to fund the Bureau's foreclosure prevention program. Amounts paid to the Maine Attorney General shall be used to fund foreclosure diversion programs including the Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection's foreclosure prevention program and to legal aid organizations for direct legal services to consumers in support of foreclosure prevention efforts, to defray the costs of the inquiry leading hereto or for other uses permitted by state law at the sole discretion of the Attorney General

MICHIGAN

Payment shall be forwarded at the direction of the Michigan Attorney General. Said payment shall be used for attorneys' fees and other costs of the inquiry leading hereto, and other uses as are consistent with state law and this consent judgment.

MINNESOTA

The State of Minnesota shall use the funds paid pursuant to Exhibit B-1 ("Minnesota Direct Payment Funds") to provide restitution to Minnesota residents who were harmed by Defendant's origination, servicing, or foreclosure practices. The Minnesota Direct Payment Funds shall be deposited into an interest-bearing escrow account. The reasonable expenses of the escrow account and for developing, administering, and implementing the restitution plan, including the expenses of settlement administration and independent claims review, may be paid with Minnesota Direct Payment Funds. After full and fair restitution has been paid to individuals harmed by Defendant's practices as set forth above, any amount remaining shall be deposited into the State of Minnesota General Fund. Defendant shall provide to the settlement administrator retained by the Minnesota Attorney General to administer the Minnesota Direct Payment Funds (the "Settlement Administrator") all information already in its possession and readily available that is reasonably necessary for the administration of the Minnesota Direct Payment Funds, within a reasonable time after receipt of the request for the information. Information pertaining to individual borrowers who may be eligible for payments under the Minnesota Direct Payment Funds, including names and other identifying information and information necessary to verify or corroborate claims for restitution of Minnesota borrowers, shall be provided to Minnesota so long as such information is used solely for the purpose of contacting eligible borrowers, responding to inquiries from borrowers regarding their eligibility for Minnesota Direct Payment Funds, and/or complying with tax reporting and withholding obligations, if any. Appropriate information security protocols, including prior borrower authorization where applicable, shall be utilized to ensure the privacy of borrower information and compliance with all applicable privacy laws.

MISSISSIPPI

The settlement payment for the State of Mississippi in the amount of \$13,580.374.00 shall be distributed to the Mississippi Attorney General for disbursements in accordance with the terms of the Consent Judgment to which this Exhibit refers.

MISSOURI

The Escrow Agent shall pay \$39,583,212 to the State of Missouri:

- a. \$38,583,212 to the State of Missouri Office of the Attorney General and
- b. \$1,000,000 to the state of Missouri Office of the Attorney General to the credit of the Merchandising Practices Revolving Fund for advocacy of consumers

impacted by the practices addressed in this Consent Judgment, for the investigation and prosecution of persons involved in unfair, deceptive and fraudulent practices related to financial services, and for such other purposes as authorized by law.

MONTANA

Pursuant to ¶ 1(b) of Exhibit B to the foregoing Consent Judgment, the sum of \$4,858,276 shall be distributed to the state consumer protection account for the Montana Department of Justice, according to wire transfer instructions to be provided by the Montana Attorney General's Office to the Trustee.

The sum of \$450,000 shall be for civil fines, costs and fees pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 30-14-143.

The remaining funds shall be used, at the sole discretion of the Attorney General of Montana, for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, and to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices. These purposes include but are not limited to, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance services, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, and funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts.

NEBRASKA

The Nebraska Attorney General, on behalf of the State of Nebraska, directs that Nebraska's portion of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount, pursuant to Exhibit B, Paragraph (1)(b) of the attached Consent Judgment, be distributed to the following, to be used for any purpose(s) allowed pursuant to said Consent Judgment: State of Nebraska-Cash Reserve Fund (11000).

NEVADA

Funds shall be directed to the Nevada Attorney General to be deposited into an account and used for the following purposes: avoiding preventable foreclosure, ameliorating the effects of the mortgage and foreclosure crisis in Nevada, enhance consumer protection and legal aid efforts, enhance consumer financial and housing counseling assistance including economic education and/or instruction on financial literacy for the benefit of Nevada residents, enhance law enforcement efforts to investigate, prosecute and prevent financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices at the sole discretion of the Attorney General. The aforementioned account shall be interest bearing and all accrued interest shall stay with the account for the above enumerated purposes.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The funds received by the New Hampshire Attorney General pursuant to this agreement shall be deposited in the consumer escrow account at the Department of Justice and used at the sole discretion of the New Hampshire Attorney General for the protection of consumers in the State of New Hampshire. The permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance programs, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud and/or consumer protection enforcement efforts, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, and civil penalties.

NEW JERSEY

New Jersey plans to apply its share of the settlement proceeds for its attorneys' fees, investigation costs and other expenses related to the investigation and resolution of this matter as well as on one or more of the following programs: Affordable Housing, Local Planning Services, Developmental Disabilities Residential Services, State Rental Assistance Program, Homelessness Prevention, Shelter Assistance, Community Based Senior Programs, Mental Health Residential Programs, Social Services for the Homeless, and/or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

NEW YORK

The State Payment Settlement Amount for New York, set forth in Exhibit B-1 to this Consent Judgment ("New York Settlement"), will be paid to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of New York ("NYOAG") by certified check payable to the State of New York, Department of Law and deposited by the NYOAG in an account that may be used, as determined by the NYOAG, to address matters relating to housing, lending, mortgage defaults, foreclosures, or the mortgage crisis, including without limitation consumer assistance, investigation, enforcement operations, litigation, public protection, consumer education, or local consumer aid, and for penalties, costs, fees, or any other use permitted under law. The New York Settlement shall be disbursed by the NYOAG in its sole discretion and at its direction consistent with the terms of this Consent Judgment. The certified check shall be delivered to:

New York State Office of the Attorney General 120 Broadway, 25th Floor New York, New York 10271-0332

Attn.: Scott Wilson, Senior Advisor and Special Counsel

NEW MEXICO

Funds allocated to the Attorney General of the State of New Mexico shall be expended, in the sole discretion of the Attorney General, primarily for programs to avoid preventable foreclosures and ameliorate the effects on homeowners of the foreclosure crisis, including without limitation, funding for housing counselors, establishment of a state foreclosure assistance hotline, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal

assistance for homeowners facing foreclosure, funding for administrative oversight for and coordination of funded programs by the Attorney General, and to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices.

NORTH CAROLINA

For the payment of settlement funds pursuant to Paragraph III (3) of the Consent Judgment and in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1 (b) of Exhibit B to the Consent Judgment, North Carolina Attorney General Roy Cooper sets forth the following funding allocations for the State of North Carolina's settlement payment and directs the Escrow Agent to pay said funds as follows:

- \$5.74 million to be allocated as civil penalties payable to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 115C-457.2 and Article 9, Section 7 of the North Carolina Constitution;
- \$30.60 million to the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency for distribution as follows: (a) \$19.12 million to be allocated to housing counseling providers to ensure that North Carolina homeowners receive the benefits due under this Consent Judgment, and to ensure the availability of homeownership and foreclosure prevention counseling services in North Carolina; (b) \$11.47 million to be allocated to legal services providers in North Carolina for legal representation and assistance to North Carolinians in foreclosure or other housing or lending-related matters;
- \$6.69 million to the Conference of District Attorneys of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts to administer a program of grants among the prosecutorial districts in North Carolina for the purpose of expanding prosecution of lending and financial crimes, and expanding prosecution and investigative abilities in those areas, and obtaining training relating to lending and financial crimes;
- \$2.87 million to the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation to expand its
 accounting and financial investigative ability and its expertise to investigate
 financial and lending crimes;
- \$4.78 million to the North Carolina Department of Justice to enable its Consumer Protection Division to hire attorneys, investigators, financial accountants and other specialists and staff as needed in order to increase its efforts to investigate and pursue cases related to financial fraud and unfair or deceptive trade practices in mortgage lending and financial services, and to assure public awareness of consumers' eligibility for relief under the Consent Judgment and address consumer need for information;

• \$8.6 million to the general fund of the State of North Carolina as compensation for costs and economic losses sustained by the State due to mortgage fraud and foreclosure misconduct. (It is anticipated that an additional \$1 million will be paid to the general fund of the State of North Carolina in the form of attorneys fees.)

To the extent there are funds remaining or unallocated under the allocations set forth above, the Escrow Agent is directed to distribute such funds to the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency for it to distribute consistent with the purposes outlined above. If North Carolina's settlement payment amount is reduced for unanticipated reasons, the individual allocations set forth above will each be reduced by the corresponding percentage amount.

NORTH DAKOTA

The settlement payment to the State of North Dakota shall be paid to the North Dakota Attorney General, and shall be used, in the Attorney General's discretion, to fund housing remediation projects designed to create more affordable and available housing or lodging in areas where more housing or lodging is needed, including creating available housing or lodging for personnel in law enforcement, emergency response, *et cetera*, and to compensate the state for attorney's fees and costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants.

OHIO

Ohio's share of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount shall be distributed and delivered to the office of the Ohio Attorney General, and shall be placed in the following two funds:

- 1. \$90,783,033.00 in the Attorney General Court Order Fund pursuant to section 109.111 of the Ohio Revised Code. The funds shall be transferred, distributed, disbursed, or allocated for the purposes described in Paragraph 1(b)(i) of Exhibit B of the Consent Judgment, including the costs of the Ohio Attorney General in administering this settlement and fund. Interest or other income earned on this account shall also be transferred, distributed, disbursed, or allocated for the purposes described in Paragraph 1(b)(i) of Exhibit B of the Consent Judgment and for the costs of the Ohio Attorney General in administering this settlement and fund.
- 2. \$2,000,000.00 shall be placed in the Consumer Protection Enforcement Fund created pursuant to section 1345.51 of the Ohio Revised Code. The funds shall be used for the purposes described in section 1345.51.

OREGON

- 1.1 Payment. Servicers shall make available a total sum of Twenty-Nine Million Two Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$29,253,190) for payment to the State of Oregon, allocated as follows:
 - (a) Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000) shall be deposited into the Oregon Department of Justice Operating Account established pursuant to ORS 180.180.
 - (b) Twenty-Five Million Two Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$25,253,190) shall be deposited into the General Fund with a recommendation to the Oregon Legislative Assembly that such funds be used for housing and foreclosure relief and mitigation as set forth in this Consent Judgment.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Attorney General") directs that the State Payment Settlement Amount, as that term is used in Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment ("Settlement Amount"), be distributed to the Office of Attorney General, to be allocated by the Attorney General, at her sole discretion, to the Office of Attorney General and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking to further their respective educational and law enforcement purposes; and the balance to be allocated by the Attorney General, at her sole discretion, to appropriate programs that help Pennsylvania homeowners avoid foreclosure. The amount, timing, and manner of the allocation of the Settlement Amount shall be at the sole discretion of the Attorney General.

RHODE ISLAND

The Rhode Island Attorney General shall receive all state government designated funds paid under this agreement. Said funds shall be held in separate accounts and must be used solely for mortgage foreclosure related issues and/or consumer education, outreach, training or related consumer issues as determined by the Rhode Island Attorney General

SOUTH CAROLINA

With respect to the State of South Carolina's payment, said payment shall be used by the South Carolina Attorney General for a consumer protection enforcement fund, consumer education fund, consumer litigation fund, local consumer aid fund, or revolving fund; for consumer restitution, including the administrative costs thereof; for attorneys' fees and other costs of investigation and litigation; for reimbursement of state agencies; for cy pres purposes; or for any other uses not prohibited by law. The South Carolina Attorney General shall have sole discretion over the distribution of the funds.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Said payment shall be used by the Attorneys General for attorney fees and other costs of investigation and litigation, or to be placed in, or applied to, the consumer protection

enforcement fund, consumer education or litigation, to defray the costs of the inquiry leading hereto, or may be used to fund or assist in funding housing counselor programs, foreclosure assistance personnel, foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance and funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, civil penalties or for other uses permitted by state law, at the sole discretion of the Attorney General

TENNESSEE

The settlement amount of \$41,207,810.00 shall be paid for the benefit of the citizens of the State of Tennessee, of which the maximum of 10%, or \$4,120,781.00, shall be paid to the general fund of the State of Tennessee as a civil penalty. The remaining \$37,087,029.00 shall be paid to the Office of the Attorney General of Tennessee and shall be used for purposes consistent with applicable provisions of the consent judgment as directed by the Office of the Attorney General, including funding foreclosure prevention counseling, other housing and legal assistance programs, related compliance, investigative, enforcement, and education purposes, or to fund other programs reasonably targeted to housing or tenant issues.

TEXAS

Said payment to the State of Texas in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Four Million, Six Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$134,628,489.00) shall be allocated as follows:

- A. Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) for civil penalties pursuant to Tex. Bus. & Com. Code \$17.47(c) paid to the State of Texas for deposit to the judicial fund pursuant to Texas Government Code \$402.007;
- B. One Hundred Twenty-Four Million, Six Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$124,628,489.00) paid to the State of Texas for deposit into the General Revenue Fund pursuant to Texas Government Code \$404.094(b) and \$404.097(c).

<u>UTAH</u>

The Attorney General of the State of Utah directs that the Utah portion of the State Payment Settlement Amounts, as that term is used in Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment, be distributed to the State of Utah to be further allocated as determined by the Utah State Legislature.

VERMONT

The state funds may be used for housing-related or other purposes.

VIRGINIA

The State Payment Settlement Amount for Virginia totaling \$66,525,233 shall be provided to the Virginia Attorney General for deposit to the Attorney General's Regulatory, Consumer Advocacy, Litigation and Enforcement Revolving Trust Fund (the "Revolving Fund"). Amounts deposited to the Revolving Fund may be used for costs of the Attorney General associated with his consumer protection advocacy and enforcement efforts and other delineated purposes permitted by State law.

WASHINGTON

The State of Washington will use its share of the State Payment Settlement Amount, as follows:

- 1. Ten percent will be designated as a civil penalty.
- 2. No more than \$5 million will be used to compensate the State for its costs and fees to date, for costs of monitoring and enforcing the terms of the settlement, and for enforcing RCW 19.86, the Consumer Protection Act.
- 3. The remaining amount will be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures or ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis. As permitted by the Consent Judgment, such uses may include
 - a. supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund;
 - b. funding for housing counselors;
 - c. funding for state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines;
 - d. funding for state and local foreclosure mediation programs;
 - e. funding for civil legal assistance; or
 - f. funding for housing remediation and anti-blight projects.

The State of Washington will convene a committee of public and private stakeholders who are experienced in foreclosure assistance, mortgage lending, civil legal services or housing related issues to determine how best to use the funds. As required by the Consent Judgment, the Attorney General will exercise his discretion over the final disposition of the funds in accordance with the purposes as set forth in the Consent Judgment and will provide instructions to the Escrow Agent accordingly.

WEST VIRGINIA

Settlement payments to the State of West Virginia in the amount of \$5,748,915.00 shall be placed in trust and used at the discretion of the Attorney General solely for consumer protection purposes, including but not limited to, direct payments, restitution, consumer education, legal services, credit or bankruptcy counseling and education, housing counseling, conflict resolution programs, and costs associated with implementing court orders.

WISCONSIN

Money owed to the State of Wisconsin shall be made payable to 'Attorney General, State of Wisconsin,' and may be used for any purpose permitted under the Consent Judgment, as solely determined and directed by the Attorney General.

WYOMING

The Escrow Agent shall distribute the amount constituting the State Payment Settlement Amount for the State of Wyoming to the Attorney General of the State of Wyoming, as trustee, to hold and distribute such amount, pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 9-1-639(a)(i), exclusively for the purpose of addressing mortgage and foreclosure matters in the State of Wyoming, by providing grants or other aid to agencies and organizations approved by the Attorney General of the State of Wyoming for mortgage and housing related consumer assistance, consumer education, credit counseling, mediation programs, legal assistance, training, or staffing.

EXHIBIT C

BORROWER PAYMENT AMOUNT

- 1. The Borrower Payment Amount shall be administered under the direction and control of the State members of the Monitoring Committee in the following manner.
- 2. Within ninety (90) days of the Effective Date of this Consent Judgment, the State members of the Monitoring Committee shall choose and retain a Settlement Administrator ("the Administrator") to administer the distribution of cash payments to individual borrowers under this and all similar Consent Judgments with other servicers concerning the Covered Conduct (the "Related Consent Judgments"). All costs and expenses of the Administrator, including taxes, shall be paid from the Borrower Payment Amount.
- 3. Defendant shall provide to the Administrator all information already in its possession and readily available that is reasonably necessary for the administration of this and the Related Consent Judgments, within a reasonable time after receipt of the request for information. Defendant is ordered herein to provide such information under 15 U.S.C. § 6802(e)(1)(A), (5) and (8) of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. Such information pertaining to individual eligible Borrowers, including names and other identifying information, may be provided to individual states, but only if the information is used solely for the purpose of contacting eligible Borrowers, responding to inquiries from Borrowers regarding their eligibility or concerning the award of borrower payments under this Consent Judgment, and/or complying with tax reporting and withholding obligations, if any. The Administrator shall utilize appropriate information security protocols to ensure the privacy of Borrower information and otherwise comply with all applicable privacy laws. After the completion of the Borrower Payment process, the Administrator shall provide a report to each Defendant identifying which borrowers have received payment. In addition, Defendant may request from the Administrator

such interim reports as may be deemed reasonable by the State Members of the Monitoring Committee. Interim reports necessary to insure that Borrowers will not receive duplicate payments by virtue of litigation, the foreclosure review required by federal banking agencies or otherwise hereby are deemed reasonable. Defendant shall warrant to the State Members of the Monitoring Committee at the time of supplying information to the Administrator that the information is complete and accurate to the best of its knowledge and capability.

- 4. The Administrator shall permit reasonable onsite inspection by the State members of the Monitoring Committee on the premises of the Administrator to monitor administration of this and all Related Consent Judgments.
- 5. As a condition to receipt of any payments pursuant to this process, borrowers must agree that such payment shall offset and operate to reduce any other obligation Defendant has to the borrowers to provide compensation or other payments. However, borrowers shall not be required to release or waive any other right or legal claim as a condition of receiving such payments.
- 6. Any cash payment to individual borrowers awarded under the terms of this Consent Judgment is not and shall not be considered as forgiven debt.
- 7. The purposes of the payments described in this Exhibit C are remedial and relate to the reduction in the proceeds deemed realized by borrowers for tax purposes from the foreclosure sale of residential properties owned by the borrowers allegedly resulting from the allegedly unlawful conduct of the Defendants.

EXHIBIT D

Consumer Relief Requirements

Any Servicer as defined in the Servicing Standards set forth in Exhibit A to this Consent Judgment (hereinafter "Servicer" or "Participating Servicer") agrees that it will not implement any of the Consumer Relief Requirements described herein through policies that are intended to (i) disfavor a specific geography within or among states that are a party to the Consent Judgment or (ii) discriminate against any protected class of borrowers. This provision shall not preclude the implementation of pilot programs in particular geographic areas.

Any discussion of property in these Consumer Relief Requirements, including any discussion in Table 1 or other documents attached hereto, refers to a 1-4 unit single-family property (hereinafter, "Property" or collectively, "Properties").

Any consumer relief guidelines or requirements that are found in Table 1 or other documents attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into these Consumer Relief Requirements and shall be afforded the same deference as if they were written in the text below.

For the avoidance of doubt, subject to the Consumer Relief Requirements described below, Servicer shall receive credit for consumer relief activities with respect to loans insured or guaranteed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, or the U.S. Department of Agriculture in accordance with the terms and conditions herein, provided that nothing herein shall be deemed to in any way relieve Servicer of the obligation to comply with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture with respect to the servicing of such loans.

Servicer shall not, in the ordinary course, require a borrower to waive or release legal claims and defenses as a condition of approval for loss mitigation activities under these Consumer Relief Requirements. However, nothing herein shall preclude Servicer from requiring a waiver or release of legal claims and defenses with respect to a Consumer Relief activity offered in connection with the resolution of a contested claim, when the borrower would not otherwise have received as favorable terms or when the borrower receives additional consideration.

Programmatic exceptions to the crediting available for the Consumer Relief Requirements listed below may be granted by the Monitoring Committee on a case-by-case basis.

To the extent a Servicer is responsible for the servicing of a mortgage loan to which these Consumer Relief Requirements may apply, the Servicer shall receive credit for all consumer relief and refinancing activities undertaken in connection with such

mortgage loan by any of its subservicers to the same extent as if Servicer had undertaken such activities itself.*

1. First Lien Mortgage Modifications

- a. Servicer will receive credit under Table 1, Section 1, for first-lien mortgage loan modifications made in accordance with the guidelines set forth in this Section 1.
- b. First liens on occupied Properties with an unpaid principal balance ("UPB") prior to capitalization at or below the highest GSE conforming loan limit cap as of January 1, 2010 shall constitute at least 85% of the eligible credits for first liens (the "Applicable Limits").
- c. Eligible borrowers must be at least 30 days delinquent or otherwise qualify as being at imminent risk of default due to borrower's financial situation.
- d. Eligible borrowers' pre-modification loan-to-value ratio ("LTV") is greater than 100%.
- e. Post-modification payment should target a debt-to-income ratio ("DTI")² of 31% (or an affordability measurement consistent with HAMP guidelines) and a modified LTV³ of no greater than 120%, provided that eligible borrowers receive a modification that meets the following terms:
 - i. Payment of principal and interest must be reduced by at least 10%.
 - ii. Where LTV exceeds 120% at a DTI of 31%, principal shall be reduced to a LTV of 120%, subject to a minimum DTI of 25% (which minimum may be waived by Servicer at Servicer's sole

^{*} If a Servicer holds a mortgage loan but does not service or control the servicing rights for such loan (either through its own servicing operations or a subservicer), then no credit shall be granted to that Servicer for consumer relief and refinancing activities related to that loan.

Servicer may rely on a borrower's statement, at the time of the modification evaluation, that a Property is occupied or that the borrower intends to rent or reoccupy the property.

Consistent with HAMP, DTI is based on first-lien mortgage debt only. For non-owner-occupied properties, Servicer shall consider other appropriate measures of affordability.

For the purposes of these guidelines, LTV may be determined in accordance with HAMP PRA.

discretion), provided that for investor-owned loans, the LTV and DTI need not be reduced to a level that would convert the modification to net present value ("NPV") negative.

- f. DTI requirements may be waived for first lien mortgages that are 180 days or more delinquent as long as payment of principal and interest is reduced by at least 20% and LTV is reduced to at least 120%.
- g. Servicer shall also be entitled to credit for any amounts of principal reduction which lower LTV below 120%.
- h. When Servicer reduces principal on a first lien mortgage via its proprietary modification process, and a Participating Servicer owns the second lien mortgage, the second lien shall be modified by the second lien owning Participating Servicer in accordance with Section 2.c.i below, provided that any Participating Servicer other than the five largest servicers shall be given a reasonable amount of time, as determined by the Monitor, after that Participating Servicer's Start Date to make system changes necessary to participate in and implement this requirement. Credit for such second lien mortgage write-downs shall be credited in accordance with the second lien percentages and cap described in Table 1, Section 2.
- i. In the event that, in the first 6 months after Servicer's Start Date (as defined below), Servicer temporarily provides forbearance or conditional forgiveness to an eligible borrower as the Servicer ramps up use of principal reduction, Servicer shall receive credit for principal reduction on such modifications provided that (i) Servicer may not receive credit for both the forbearance and the subsequent principal reduction and (ii) Servicer will only receive the credit for the principal reduction once the principal is actually forgiven in accordance with these Consumer Relief Requirements and Table 1.
- j. Eligible modifications include any modification that is made on or after Servicer's Start Date, including:
 - i. Write-offs made to allow for refinancing under the FHA Short Refinance Program;
 - ii. Modifications under the Making Home Affordable Program (including the Home Affordable Modification Program ("HAMP")
 Tier 1 or Tier 2) or the Housing Finance Agency Hardest Hit Fund ("HFA Hardest Hit Fund") (or any other federal program) where principal is forgiven, except to the extent that state or federal funds paid to Servicer in its capacity as an investor are the source of a Servicer's credit claim

iii. Modifications under other proprietary or other government modification programs, provided that such modifications meet the guidelines set forth herein.⁴

2. Second Lien Portfolio Modifications

- a. Servicer is required to adhere to these guidelines in order to receive credit under Table 1, Section 2.
- b. A write-down of a second lien mortgage will be creditable where such write-down facilitates either (a) a first lien modification that involves an occupied Property for which the borrower is 30 days delinquent or otherwise at imminent risk of default due to the borrower's financial situation; or (b) a second lien modification that involves an occupied Property with a second lien which is at least 30 days delinquent or otherwise at imminent risk of default due to the borrower's financial situation.

Two examples are hereby provided. Example 1: on a mortgage loan at 175% LTV, when a Servicer (in its capacity as an investor) extinguishes \$75 of principal through the HAMP Principal Reduction Alternative ("PRA") modification in order to bring the LTV down to 100%, if the Servicer receives \$28.10 in PRA principal reduction incentive payments from the U.S. Department of the Treasury for that extinguishment, then the Servicer may claim \$46.90 of principal reduction for credit under these Consumer Relief Requirements:

	HAMP-PRA Incentive Amount	
LTV Reduction Band:	Received:	Allowable Settlement Credit:
175% LTV to 140% LTV	\$10.50 (35% LTV * \$0.30)	\$24.50 ((35% LTV-\$10.50) * \$1.00)
140% LTV to 115% LTV	\$11.30 (25% LTV * \$0.45)	\$13.70 ((25% LTV-\$11.30) * \$1.00)
115% LTV to 105% LTV	\$6.30 (10% LTV * \$0.63)	\$3.70 ((10% LTV-\$6.30) * \$1.00)
105% LTV to 100% LTV	None (no credit below 105% LTV)	\$5.00 (5% LTV * \$1.00)
Total:	\$28.10	\$46.90

Example 2: on a mortgage loan at 200% LTV, when a Servicer (in its capacity as an investor) extinguishes \$100 of principal through a HAMP-PRA modification in order to bring the LTV down to 100%, if the Servicer receives \$35.60 in PRA principal reduction incentive payments from Treasury for that extinguishment, then although the Servicer would have funded \$64.40 in principal reduction on that loan, the Servicer may claim \$55.70 of principal reduction for credit under these Consumer Relief Requirements:

	HAMP-PRA Incentive Amount	
LTV Reduction Band:	Received:	Allowable Settlement Credit:
200% LTV to 175% LTV	\$7.50 (25% LTV * \$0.30)	\$8.80 ((25% LTV-\$7.50) * \$0.50)
175% LTV to 140% LTV	\$10.50 (35% LTV * \$0.30)	\$24.50 ((35% LTV-\$10.50) * \$1.00)
140% LTV to 115% LTV	\$11.30 (25% LTV * \$0.45)	\$13.70 ((25% LTV-\$11.30) * \$1.00)
115% LTV to 105% LTV	\$6.30 (10% LTV * \$0.63)	\$3.70 ((10% LTV-\$6.30) * \$1.00)
105% LTV to 100% LTV	None (no credit below 105% LTV)	\$5.00 (5% LTV * \$1.00)
Total:	\$35.60	\$55.70

- c. Required Second Lien Modifications:
 - i. Servicer agrees that it must write down second liens consistent with the following program until its Consumer Relief Requirement credits are fulfilled:
 - 1. A write-down of a second lien mortgage will be creditable where a successful first lien modification is completed by a Participating Servicer via a servicer's proprietary, non-HAMP modification process, in accordance with Section 1, with the first lien modification meeting the following criteria:
 - a. Minimum 10% payment reduction (principal and interest);
 - b. Income verified;
 - c. A UPB at or below the Applicable Limits; and
 - d. Post-modification DTI⁵ between 25% and 31%.
 - 2. If a Participating Servicer has completed a successful proprietary first lien modification and the second lien loan amount is greater than \$5,000 UPB and the current monthly payment is greater than \$100, then:
 - a. Servicer shall extinguish and receive credit in accordance with Table 1, Section 2.iii on any second lien that is greater than 180 days delinquent.
 - b. Otherwise, Servicer shall solve for a second lien payment utilizing the HAMP Second Lien Modification Program ("2MP") logic used as of January 26, 2012.
 - c. Servicer shall use the following payment waterfall:
 - i. Forgiveness equal to the lesser of (a) achieving 115% combined loan-to-value ratio ("CLTV") or (b) 30% UPB (subject to minimum forgiveness level); then
 - ii. Reduce rate until the 2MP payment required by 2MP logic as of January 26, 2012; then

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Consistent with HAMP, DTI is based on first-lien mortgage debt only. For non-owner-occupied properties, Servicer shall consider other appropriate measures of affordability.

- iii. Extend term to "2MP Term" (greater of modified first or remaining second).
- d. Servicer shall maintain an I/O product option consistent with 2MP protocols.
- d. Eligible second lien modifications include any modification that is made on or after Servicer's Start Date, including:
 - i. Principal reduction or extinguishments through the Making Home Affordable Program (including 2MP), the FHA Short Refinance Second Lien ("FHA2LP") Program or the HFA Hardest Hit Fund (or any other federal program), except (to the extent) that state or federal funds are the source of a Servicer's credit claim.
 - Second lien write-downs or extinguishments completed under proprietary modification programs, are eligible, provided that such write-downs or extinguishments meet the guidelines as set forth herein.
- e. Extinguishing balances of second liens to support the future ability of individuals to become homeowners will be credited based on applicable credits in Table 1.

3. Enhanced Borrower Transitional Funds

Servicer may receive credit, as described in Table 1, Section 3, for providing additional transitional funds to homeowners in connection with a short sale or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure to homeowners for the amount above \$1,500.

4. Short Sales

- a. As described in the preceding paragraph, Servicer may receive credit for providing incentive payments for borrowers on or after Servicer's Start Date who are eligible and amenable to accepting such payments in return for a dignified exit from a Property via short sale or similar program. Credit shall be provided in accordance with Table 1, Section 3.i.
- b. To facilitate such short sales, Servicer may receive credit for extinguishing second liens on or after Servicer's Start Date under Table 1, Section 4.
- c. Short sales through the Home Affordable Foreclosure Alternatives (HAFA) Program or any HFA Hardest Hit Fund program or proprietary programs closed on or after Servicer's Start Date are eligible.
- d. Servicer shall be required to extinguish a second lien owned by Servicer behind a successful short sale/deed-in-lieu conducted by a Participating Servicer (provided that any Participating Servicer other than the five largest servicers shall be given a reasonable amount of time, as determined

by the Monitor, after their Start Date to make system changes necessary to participate in and implement this requirement) where the first lien is greater than 100% LTV and has a UPB at or below the Applicable Limits, until Servicer's Consumer Relief Requirement credits are fulfilled. The first lien holder would pay to the second lien holder 8% of UPB, subject to a \$2,000 floor and an \$8,500 ceiling. The second lien holder would then release the note or lien and waive the balance.

5. Deficiency Waivers

- a. Servicer may receive credit for waiving deficiency balances if not eligible for credit under some other provision, subject to the cap provided in the Table 1, Section 5.i.
- b. Credit for such waivers of any deficiency is only available where Servicer has a valid deficiency claim, meaning where Servicer can evidence to the Monitor that it had the ability to pursue a deficiency against the borrower but waived its right to do so after completion of the foreclosure sale.

6. Forbearance for Unemployed Borrowers

- a. Servicer may receive credit for forgiveness of payment of arrearages on behalf of an unemployed borrower in accordance with Table 1, Section 6.i.
- b. Servicer may receive credit under Table 1, Section 6.ii., for funds expended to finance principal forbearance solutions for unemployed borrowers as a means of keeping them in their homes until such time as the borrower can resume payments. Credit will only be provided beginning in the 7th month of the forbearance under Table 1, Section 6.ii.

7. Anti-Blight Provisions

- a. Servicer may receive credit for certain anti-blight activities in accordance with and subject to caps contained in Table 1, Section 7.
- b. Any Property value used to calculate credits for this provision shall have a property evaluation meeting the standards acceptable under the Making Home Affordable programs received within 3 months of the transaction.

8. Benefits for Servicemembers

a. Short Sales

i. Servicer shall, with respect to owned portfolio first liens, provide servicemembers who qualify for SCRA benefits ("Eligible Servicemembers") a short sale agreement containing a predetermined minimum net proceeds amount ("Minimum Net Proceeds") that Servicer will accept for short sale transaction upon receipt of the listing agreement and all required third-party approvals. The Minimum Net Proceeds may be expressed as a

fixed dollar amount, as a percentage of the current market value of the property, or as a percentage of the list price as approved by Servicer. After providing the Minimum Net Proceeds, Servicer may not increase the minimum net requirements above the Minimum Net Proceeds amount until the initial short sale agreement termination date is reached (not less than 120 calendar days from the date of the initial short sale agreement). Servicer must document subsequent changes to the Minimum Net Proceeds when the short sale agreement is extended.

Eligible Servicemembers shall be eligible for this short sale ii. program if: (a) they are an active duty full-time status Eligible Servicemember: (b) the property securing the mortgage is not vacant or condemned; (c) the property securing the mortgage is the Eligible Servicemember's primary residence (or, the property was his or her principal residence immediately before he or she moved pursuant to a Permanent Change of Station ("PCS") order dated on or after October 1, 2010; (d) the Eligible Servicemember purchased the subject primary residence on or after July 1, 2006 and before December 31, 2008; and (e) the Eligible Servicemember relocates or has relocated from the subject property not more than 12 months prior to the date of the short sale agreement to a new duty station or home port outside a 50-mile radius of the Eligible Servicemember's former duty station or home port under a PCS. Eligible Servicemembers who have relocated may be eligible if the Eligible Servicemember provides documentation that the property was their principal residence prior to relocation or during the 12-month period prior to the date of the short sale agreement.

b. Short Sale Waivers

- i. If an Eligible Servicemember qualifies for a short sale hereunder and sells his or her principal residence in a short sale conducted in accordance with Servicer's then customary short sale process, Servicer shall, in the case of an owned portfolio first lien, waive the additional amount owed by the Eligible Servicemember so long as it is less than \$250,000.
- ii. Servicer shall receive credit under Table 1, Section 4, for mandatory waivers of amounts under this Section 8.b.
- c. With respect to the refinancing program described in Section 9 below, Servicer shall use reasonable efforts to identify active servicemembers in its owned portfolio who would qualify and to solicit those individuals for the refinancing program.

9. Refinancing Program

- a. Servicer shall create a refinancing program for current borrowers. Servicer shall provide notification to eligible borrowers indicating that they may refinance under the program described herein. The minimum occupied Property eligibility criteria for such a program shall be:
 - i. The program shall apply only to Servicer-owned first lien mortgage loans.
 - ii. Loan must be current with no delinquencies in past 12 months.
 - iii. Fixed rate loans, ARMS, or I/Os are eligible if they have an initial period of 5 years or more.
 - iv. Current LTV is greater than 100%.
 - v. Loans must have been originated prior to January 1, 2009.
 - vi. Loan must not have received any modification in the past 24 months.
 - vii. Loan must have a current interest rate of at least 5.25 % or PMMS + 100 basis points, whichever is greater.
 - viii. The minimum difference between the current interest rate and the offered interest rate under this program must be at least 25 basis points or there must be at least a \$100 reduction in monthly payment.
 - ix. Maximum UPB will be an amount at or below the Applicable Limits.
 - x. The following types of loans are excluded from the program eligibility:
 - 1. FHA/VA
 - 2. Property outside the 50 States, DC, and Puerto Rico
 - 3. Loans on Manufactured Homes
 - 4. Loans for borrowers who have been in bankruptcy anytime within the prior 24 months
 - 5. Loans that have been in foreclosure within the prior 24 months
- b. The refinancing program shall be made available to all borrowers fitting the minimum eligibility criteria described above in 9.a. Servicer will be free to extend the program to other customers beyond the minimum eligibility criteria provided above and will receive credit under this Agreement for such refinancings, provided that such customers have an

LTV of over 80%, and would not have qualified for a refinance under Servicer's generally-available refinance programs as of September 30, 2011. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Servicer shall not be required to solicit or refinance borrowers who do not satisfy the eligibility criteria under 9.a above. In addition, Servicer shall not be required to refinance a loan under circumstances that, in the reasonable judgment of the Servicer, would result in Troubled Debt Restructuring ("TDR") treatment. A letter to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission regarding TDR treatment, dated November 22, 2011, shall be provided to the Monitor for review.

- c. The structure of the refinanced loans shall be as follows:
 - i. Servicer may offer refinanced loans with reduced rates either:
 - 1. For the life of the loan;
 - 2. For loans with current interest rates above 5.25% or PMMS + 100 basis points, whichever is greater, the interest rate may be reduced for 5 years. After the 5 year fixed interest rate period, the rate will return to the preexisting rate subject to a maximum rate increase of 0.5% annually; or
 - 3. For loans with an interest rate below 5.25% or PMMS + 100 basis points, whichever is greater, the interest rate may be reduced to obtain at least a 25 basis point interest rate reduction or \$100 payment reduction in monthly payment, for a period of 5 years, followed by 0.5% annual interest rate increases with a maximum ending interest rate of 5.25% or PMMS + 100 basis points.
 - ii. The original term of the loan may be changed.
 - iii. Rate reduction could be done through a modification of the existing loan terms or refinance into a new loan.
 - iv. New term of the loan has to be a fully amortizing product.
 - v. The new interest rate will be capped at 100 basis points over the PMMS rate or 5.25%, whichever is greater, during the initial rate reduction period.
- d. Banks fees and expenses shall not exceed the amount of fees charged by Banks under the current Home Affordable Refinance Program ("HARP") guidelines.
- e. The program shall be credited under these Consumer Relief Requirements as follows:

- i. Credit will be calculated as the difference between the preexisting interest rate and the offered interest rate times UPB times a multiplier.
- ii. The multiplier shall be as follows:
 - 1. If the new rate applies for the life of the loan, the multiplier shall be 8 for loans with a remaining term greater than 15 years, 6 for loans with a remaining term between 10 and 15 years and 5 for loans with a remaining term less than 10 years.
 - 2. If the new rate applies for 5 years, the multiplier shall be 5.
- f. Additional dollars spent by each Servicer on the refinancing program beyond that Servicer's required commitment shall be credited 25% against that Servicer's first lien principal reduction obligation and 75% against that Servicer's second lien principal reduction obligation, up to the limits set forth in Table 1.

10. Timing, Incentives, and Payments

- a. For the consumer relief and refinancing activities imposed by this Agreement, Servicer shall be entitled to receive credit against Servicer's outstanding settlement commitments for activities taken on or after Servicer's start date, March 1, 2012 (such date, the "Start Date").
- b. Servicer shall receive an additional 25% credit against Servicer's outstanding settlement commitments for any first or second lien principal reduction and any amounts credited pursuant to the refinancing program within 12 months of Servicer's Start Date (e.g., a \$1.00 credit for Servicer activity would count as \$1.25).
- c. Servicer shall complete 75% of its Consumer Relief Requirement credits within two years of the Servicer's Start Date.
- d. If Servicer fails to meet the commitment set forth in these Consumer Relief Requirements within three years of Servicer's Start Date, Servicer shall pay an amount equal to 125% of the unmet commitment amount; except that if Servicer fails to meet the two year commitment noted above, and then fails to meet the three year commitment, the Servicer shall pay an amount equal to 140% of the unmet three-year commitment amount; provided, however, that if Servicer must pay any Participating State for failure to meet the obligations of a state-specific commitment to provide Consumer Relief pursuant to the terms of that commitment, then Servicer's obligation to pay under this provision shall be reduced by the amount that such a Participating State would have received under this provision and the Federal portion of the payment attributable to that

Participating State. The purpose of the 125% and 140% amounts is to encourage Servicer to meet its commitments set forth in these Consumer Relief Requirements.

11. Applicable Requirements

The provision of consumer relief by the Servicer in accordance with this Agreement in connection with any residential mortgage loan is expressly subject to, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, as applicable, the terms and provisions of the Servicer Participation Agreement with the U.S. Department of Treasury, any servicing agreement, subservicing agreement under which Servicer services for others, special servicing agreement, mortgage or bond insurance policy or related agreement or requirements to which Servicer is a party and by which it or its servicing affiliates are bound pertaining to the servicing or ownership of the mortgage loans, including without limitation the requirements, binding directions, or investor guidelines of the applicable investor (such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac), mortgage or bond insurer, or credit enhancer, provided, however, that the inability of a Servicer to offer a type, form or feature of the consumer relief payments by virtue of an Applicable Requirement shall not relieve the Servicer of its aggregate consumer relief obligations imposed by this Agreement, i.e., the Servicer must satisfy such obligations through the offer of other types, forms or features of consumer relief payments that are not limited by such Applicable Requirement.

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Table 1¹

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Consumer Relief Funds

1. First Lien Mortgage Modification²

Minimum 30% for First Lien Mods³ (which can be reduced by 2.5% of overall consumer relief funds for excess

refinancing program credits

above the

minimum amount

required)

i. First lien principal forgiveness modification

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LTV </= 175%: \$1.00 Write-

down=\$1.00 Credit

LTV > 175%: \$1.00 Write-down=\$0.50 Credit (for only the portion of principal forgiven over 175%)

ii. Forgiveness of forbearance amounts on existing modifications

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.40

Credit

Max 12.5%

Where applicable, the number of days of delinquency will be determined by the number of days a loan is delinquent at the start of the earlier of the first or second lien modification process. For example, if a borrower applies for a first lien principal reduction on February 1, 2012, then any delinquency determination for a later second lien modification made pursuant to the terms of this Agreement will be based on the number of days the second lien was delinquent as of February 1, 2012.

² Credit for all modifications is determined from the date the modification is approved or communicated to the borrower. However, no credits shall be credited unless the payments on the modification are current as of 90 days following the implementation of the modification, including any trial period, except if the failure to make payments on the modification within the 90 day period is due to unemployment or reduced hours, in which case Servicer shall receive credit provided that Servicer has reduced the principal balance on the loan. Eligible Modifications will include any modification that is completed on or after the Start Date, as long as the loan is current 90 days after the modification is implemented.

³ All minimum and maximum percentages refer to a percentage of total consumer relief funds.

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Credit Cap

iii. Earned forgiveness over a period of no greater than 3 years – provided consistent with PRA

LTV </= 175%: \$1.00 Writedown=\$.85 Credit

LTV > 175%: \$1.00 Write-down=\$0.45 Credit (for only the portion of principal forgiven over 175%)

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iv. First lien principal forgiveness modification on investor loans (forgiveness by investor)

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.45 Credit

v. Earned forgiveness over a period of no greater than 3 years – provided consistent with PRA

LTV </= 175%: \$1.00 Writedown=\$.40 Credit

LTV > 175%: \$1.00 Write-down=\$0.20 Credit (for only the portion of principal forgiven over 175%)

2. Second Lien Portfolio Modifications

Minimum of 60% for 1st and 2nd
Lien Mods (which can be reduced by 10% of overall consumer relief funds for excess refinancing program credits above the minimum amounts required)

i. Performing Second Liens (0-90 days delinquent)

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.90 Credit

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	Se	riously Delinquent cond Liens 90-179 days delinquent)	\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.50 Credit	
	Li	on-Performing Second ens (180 or more days linquent)	\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.10 Credit	
3.		nced Borrower itional Funds		Max 5%
	i.	Servicer Makes Payment	\$1.00 Payment=\$1.00 Credit (for the amount over \$1,500)	
	ii.	Investor Makes Payment (non-GSE)	\$1.00 Payment=0.45 Credit (for the amount over the \$1,500 average payment established by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)	
4.	Short	Sales/Deeds in Lieu		
	i.	Servicer makes payment to unrelated 2 nd lien holder for release of 2 nd lien	\$1.00 Payment=\$1.00 Credit	
	ii.	Servicer forgives deficiency and releases lien on 1 st lien Portfolio Loans	\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.45 Credit	
	iii.	Investor forgives deficiency and releases lien on 1 st Lien investor loans	\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.20 Credit	
	iv.	Forgiveness of deficiency balance and release of lien on		

Menu Item Credit Towards Settlement Credit Cap

Portfolio Second Liens

Performing Second

Liens (0-90 days delinquent)

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.90

Credit

Seriously

Delinquent Second

Liens

(>90-179 days delinquent)

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.50

Credit

Non-Performing

Second Liens (180 or more days delinquent)

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.10

Credit

5. Deficiency Waivers

Max 10%

i. Deficiency waived on 1st and 2nd liens loans

\$1.00 Write-down=\$0.10

Credit

6. Forbearance for unemployed homeowners

i. Servicer forgives payment arrearages on behalf of borrower

\$1.00 new forgiveness=\$1.00

Credit

ii. Servicer facilitates traditional forbearance program

\$1.00 new forbearance = \$0.05 Credit

7. Anti-Blight Provisions

Max 12%

 Forgiveness of principal associated with a property where Servicer does not pursue foreclosure

\$1.00 property value=\$0.50 Credit

Menu Ite	m	Credit Towards Settlement	Credit Cap
ii.	Cash costs paid by Servicer for demolition of property	\$1.00 Payment=\$1.00 Credit	
iii.	REO properties donated to accepting municipalities or non- profits or to disabled servicemembers or relatives of deceased	\$1.00 property value=\$1.00 Credit	

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EXHIBIT E

Enforcement Terms

- A. **Implementation Timeline.** Servicer anticipates that it will phase in the implementation of the Servicing Standards and Mandatory Relief Requirements (i) through (iv), as described in Section C.12, using a grid approach that prioritizes implementation based upon: (i) the importance of the Servicing Standard to the borrower; and (ii) the difficulty of implementing the Servicing Standard. In addition to the Servicing Standards and any Mandatory Relief Requirements that have been implemented upon entry of this Consent Judgment, the periods for implementation will be: (a) within 60 days of entry of this Consent Judgment; (b) within 90 days of entry of this Consent Judgment; and (c) within 180 days of entry of this Consent Judgment. Servicer will agree with the Monitor chosen pursuant to Section C, below, on the timetable in which the Servicing Standards and Mandatory Relief Requirements (i) through (iv) will be implemented. In the event that Servicer, using reasonable efforts, is unable to implement certain of the standards on the specified timetable, Servicer may apply to the Monitor for a reasonable extension of time to implement those standards or requirements.
- **B.** Monitoring Committee. A committee comprising representatives of the state Attorneys General, State Financial Regulators, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development shall monitor Servicer's compliance with this Consent Judgment (the "Monitoring Committee"). The Monitoring Committee may substitute representation, as necessary. Subject to Section F, the Monitoring Committee may share all Monitor Reports, as that term is defined in Section D.2 below, with any releasing party.

C. Monitor

Retention and Qualifications and Standard of Conduct

- 1. Pursuant to an agreement of the parties, Joseph A. Smith Jr. is appointed to the position of Monitor under this Consent Judgment. If the Monitor is at any time unable to complete his or her duties under this Consent Judgment, Servicer and the Monitoring Committee shall mutually agree upon a replacement in accordance with the process and standards set forth in Section C of this Consent Judgment.
- 2. Such Monitor shall be highly competent and highly respected, with a reputation that will garner public confidence in his or her ability to perform the tasks required under this Consent Judgment. The Monitor shall have the right to employ an accounting firm or firms or other firm(s) with similar capabilities to support the Monitor in carrying out his or her duties under this Consent Judgment. Monitor and Servicer shall agree on the selection of a "Primary Professional Firm," which must have adequate capacity and resources to perform the work required under this agreement.

The Monitor shall also have the right to engage one or more attorneys or other professional persons to represent or assist the Monitor in carrying out the Monitor's duties under this Consent Judgment (each such individual, along with each individual deployed to the engagement by the Primary Professional Firm, shall be defined as a "Professional"). The Monitor and Professionals will collectively possess expertise in the areas of mortgage servicing, loss mitigation, business operations, compliance, internal controls, accounting, and foreclosure and bankruptcy law and practice. The Monitor and Professionals shall at all times act in good faith and with integrity and fairness towards all the Parties.

- 3. The Monitor and Professionals shall not have any prior relationships with the Parties that would undermine public confidence in the objectivity of their work and, subject to Section C.3(e), below, shall not have any conflicts of interest with any Party.
 - (a) The Monitor and Professionals will disclose, and will make a reasonable inquiry to discover, any known current or prior relationships to, or conflicts with, any Party, any Party's holding company, any subsidiaries of the Party or its holding company, directors, officers, and law firms.
 - (b) The Monitor and Professionals shall make a reasonable inquiry to determine whether there are any facts that a reasonable individual would consider likely to create a conflict of interest for the Monitor or Professionals. The Monitor and Professionals shall disclose any conflict of interest with respect to any Party.
 - (c) The duty to disclose a conflict of interest or relationship pursuant to this Section C.3 shall remain ongoing throughout the course of the Monitor's and Professionals' work in connection with this Consent Judgment.
 - (d) All Professionals shall comply with all applicable standards of professional conduct, including ethics rules and rules pertaining to conflicts of interest.
 - (e) To the extent permitted under prevailing professional standards, a Professional's conflict of interest may be waived by written agreement of the Monitor and Servicer.
 - (f) Servicer or the Monitoring Committee may move the Court for an order disqualifying any Professionals on the grounds that such Professional has a conflict of interest that has inhibited or could inhibit the Professional's ability to act in good faith and with integrity and fairness towards all Parties.

The Monitor must agree not to be retained by any Party, or its successors 4. or assigns, for a period of 2 years after the conclusion of the terms of the engagement. Any Professionals who work on the engagement must agree not to work on behalf of Servicer, or its successor or assigns, for a period of 1 year after the conclusion of the term of the engagement (the "Professional Exclusion Period"). Any Firm that performs work with respect to Servicer on the engagement must agree not to perform work on behalf of Servicer, or its successor or assigns, that consists of advising Servicer on a response to the Monitor's review during the engagement and for a period of six months after the conclusion of the term of the engagement (the "Firm Exclusion Period"). The Professional Exclusion Period and Firm Exclusion Period, and terms of exclusion may be altered on a case-by-case basis upon written agreement of Servicer and the Monitor. The Monitor shall organize the work of any Firms so as to minimize the potential for any appearance of, or actual, conflicts.

Monitor's Responsibilities

- 5. It shall be the responsibility of the Monitor to determine whether Servicer is in compliance with the Servicing Standards and the Mandatory Relief Requirements (as defined in Section C.12) and whether Servicer has satisfied the Consumer Relief Requirements, in accordance with the authorities provided herein and to report his or her findings as provided in Section D.3, below.
- 6. The manner in which the Monitor will carry out his or her compliance responsibilities under this Consent Judgment and, where applicable, the methodologies to be utilized shall be set forth in a work plan agreed upon by Servicer and the Monitor, and not objected to by the Monitoring Committee (the "Work Plan").

Internal Review Group

7. Servicer will designate an internal quality control group that is independent from the line of business whose performance is being measured (the "Internal Review Group") to perform compliance reviews each calendar quarter ("Quarter") in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Work Plan (the "Compliance Reviews") and satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements after the (A) end of each calendar year (and, in the discretion of the Servicer, any Quarter) and (B) earlier of the Servicer assertion that it has satisfied its obligations thereunder and the third anniversary of the Start Date (the "Satisfaction Review"). For the purposes of this provision, a group that is independent from the line of business shall be one that does not perform operational work on mortgage servicing, and ultimately reports to a Chief Risk Officer, Chief Audit

- Executive, Chief Compliance Officer, or another employee or manager who has no direct operational responsibility for mortgage servicing.
- 8. The Internal Review Group shall have the appropriate authority, privileges, and knowledge to effectively implement and conduct the reviews and metric assessments contemplated herein and under the terms and conditions of the Work Plan.
- 9. The Internal Review Group shall have personnel skilled at evaluating and validating processes, decisions, and documentation utilized through the implementation of the Servicing Standards. The Internal Review Group may include non-employee consultants or contractors working at Servicer's direction.
- 10. The qualifications and performance of the Internal Review Group will be subject to ongoing review by the Monitor. Servicer will appropriately remediate the reasonable concerns of the Monitor as to the qualifications or performance of the Internal Review Group.

Work Plan

- 11. Servicer's compliance with the Servicing Standards shall be assessed via metrics identified and defined in Schedule E-1 hereto (as supplemented from time to time in accordance with Sections C.12 and C.23, below, the "Metrics"). The threshold error rates for the Metrics are set forth in Schedule E-1 (as supplemented from time to time in accordance with Sections C.12 and C.23, below, the "Threshold Error Rates"). The Internal Review Group shall perform test work to compute the Metrics each Quarter, and report the results of that analysis via the Compliance Reviews. The Internal Review Group shall perform test work to assess the satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements within 45 days after the (A) end of each calendar year (and, in the discretion of the Servicer, any Quarter) and (B) earlier of (i) the end of the Quarter in which Servicer asserts that it has satisfied its obligations under the Consumer Relief Provisions and (ii) the Quarter during which the third anniversary of the Start Date occurs, and report that analysis via the Satisfaction Review.
- 12. In addition to the process provided under Sections C.23 and 24, at any time after the Monitor is selected, the Monitor may add up to three additional Metrics and associated Threshold Error Rates, all of which (a) must be similar to the Metrics and associated Threshold Error Rates contained in Schedule E-1, (b) must relate to material terms of the Servicing Standards, or the following obligations of Servicer: (i) after the Servicer asserts that it has satisfied its obligation to provide a refinancing program under the framework of the Consumer Relief Requirements ("Framework"), to provide notification to eligible borrowers indicating

that such borrowers may refinance under the refinancing program described in the Framework, (ii) to make the Refinancing Program available to all borrowers fitting the minimum eligibility criteria described in 9.a of the Framework, (iii) when the Servicer owns the second lien mortgage, to modify the second lien mortgage when a Participating Servicer (as defined in the Framework) reduces principal on the related first lien mortgage, as described in the Framework, (iv) with regard to servicer-owned first liens, to waive the deficiency amounts less than \$250,000 if an Eligible Servicemember qualifies for a short sale under the Framework and sells his or her principal residence in a short sale conducted in accordance with Servicer's then customary short sale process, or (v) without prejudice to the implementation of pilot programs in particular geographic areas, to implement the Framework requirements through policies that are not intended to disfavor a specific geography within or among states that are a party to the Consent Judgment or discriminate against any protected class of borrowers (collectively, the obligations described in (i) through (v) are hereinafter referred to as the "Mandatory Relief Requirements"), (c) must either (i) be outcomes-based (but no outcome-based Metric shall be added with respect to any Mandatory Relief Requirement) or (ii) require the existence of policies and procedures implementing any of the Mandatory Relief Requirements or any material term of the Servicing Standards, in a manner similar to Metrics 5.B-E, and (d) must be distinct from, and not overlap with, any other Metric or Metrics. In consultation with Servicer and the Monitoring Committee, Schedule E-1 shall be amended by the Monitor to include the additional Metrics and Threshold Error Rates as provided for herein, and an appropriate timeline for implementation of the Metric shall be determined.

13. Servicer and the Monitor shall reach agreement on the terms of the Work Plan within 90 days of the Monitor's appointment, which time can be extended for good cause by agreement of Servicer and the Monitor. If such Work Plan is not objected to by the Monitoring Committee within 20 days, the Monitor shall proceed to implement the Work Plan. In the event that Servicer and the Monitor cannot agree on the terms of the Work Plan within 90 days or the agreed upon terms are not acceptable to the Monitoring Committee, Servicer and Monitoring Committee or the Monitor shall jointly petition the Court to resolve any disputes. If the Court does not resolve such disputes, then the Parties shall submit all remaining disputes to binding arbitration before a panel of three arbitrators. Each of Servicer and the Monitoring Committee shall appoint one arbitrator, and those two arbitrators shall appoint a third.

- 14. The Work Plan may be modified from time to time by agreement of the Monitor and Servicer. If such amendment to the Work Plan is not objected to by the Monitoring Committee within 20 days, the Monitor shall proceed to implement the amendment to the Work Plan. To the extent possible, the Monitor shall endeavor to apply the Servicing Standards uniformly across all Servicers.
- 15. The following general principles shall provide a framework for the formulation of the Work Plan:
 - (a) The Work Plan will set forth the testing methods and agreed procedures that will be used by the Internal Review Group to perform the test work and compute the Metrics for each Quarter.
 - (b) The Work Plan will set forth the testing methods and agreed procedures that will be used by Servicer to report on its compliance with the Consumer Relief Requirements of this Consent Judgment, including, incidental to any other testing, confirmation of state-identifying information used by Servicer to compile state-level Consumer Relief information as required by Section D.2.
 - (c) The Work Plan will set forth the testing methods and procedures that the Monitor will use to assess Servicer's reporting on its compliance with the Consumer Relief Requirements of this Consent Judgment.
 - (d) The Work Plan will set forth the methodology and procedures the Monitor will utilize to review the testing work performed by the Internal Review Group.
 - (e) The Compliance Reviews and the Satisfaction Review may include a variety of audit techniques that are based on an appropriate sampling process and random and risk-based selection criteria, as appropriate and as set forth in the Work Plan.
 - (f) In formulating, implementing, and amending the Work Plan, Servicer and the Monitor may consider any relevant information relating to patterns in complaints by borrowers, issues or deficiencies reported to the Monitor with respect to the Servicing Standards, and the results of prior Compliance Reviews.
 - (g) The Work Plan should ensure that Compliance Reviews are commensurate with the size, complexity, and risk associated with the Servicing Standard being evaluated by the Metric.

(h) Following implementation of the Work Plan, Servicer shall be required to compile each Metric beginning in the first full Quarter after the period for implementing the Servicing Standards associated with the Metric, or any extension approved by the Monitor in accordance with Section A, has run.

Monitor's Access to Information

- 16. So that the Monitor may determine whether Servicer is in compliance with the Servicing Standards and Mandatory Relief Requirements, Servicer shall provide the Monitor with its regularly prepared business reports analyzing Executive Office servicing complaints (or the equivalent); access to all Executive Office servicing complaints (or the equivalent) (with appropriate redactions of borrower information other than borrower name and contact information to comply with privacy requirements); and, if Servicer tracks additional servicing complaints, quarterly information identifying the three most common servicing complaints received outside of the Executive Office complaint process (or the equivalent). In the event that Servicer substantially changes its escalation standards or process for receiving Executive Office servicing complaints (or the equivalent), Servicer shall ensure that the Monitor has access to comparable information.
- 17. So that the Monitor may determine whether Servicer is in compliance with the Servicing Standards and Mandatory Relief Requirements, Servicer shall notify the Monitor promptly if Servicer becomes aware of reliable information indicating Servicer is engaged in a significant pattern or practice of noncompliance with a material aspect of the Servicing Standards or Mandatory Relief Requirements.
- 18. Servicer shall provide the Monitor with access to all work papers prepared by the Internal Review Group in connection with determining compliance with the Metrics or satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements in accordance with the Work Plan.
- 19. If the Monitor becomes aware of facts or information that lead the Monitor to reasonably conclude that Servicer may be engaged in a pattern of noncompliance with a material term of the Servicing Standards that is reasonably likely to cause harm to borrowers or with any of the Mandatory Relief Requirements, the Monitor shall engage Servicer in a review to determine if the facts are accurate or the information is correct.
- 20. Where reasonably necessary in fulfilling the Monitor's responsibilities under the Work Plan to assess compliance with the Metrics or the satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements, the Monitor may request information from Servicer in addition to that provided under

- Sections C.16-19. Servicer shall provide the requested information in a format agreed upon between Servicer and the Monitor.
- 21. Where reasonably necessary in fulfilling the Monitor's responsibilities under the Work Plan to assess compliance with the Metrics or the satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements, the Monitor may interview Servicer's employees and agents, provided that the interviews shall be limited to matters related to Servicer's compliance with the Metrics or the Consumer Relief Requirements, and that Servicer shall be given reasonable notice of such interviews.

Monitor's Powers

- 22. Where the Monitor reasonably determines that the Internal Review Group's work cannot be relied upon or that the Internal Review Group did not correctly implement the Work Plan in some material respect, the Monitor may direct that the work on the Metrics (or parts thereof) be reviewed by Professionals or a third party other than the Internal Review Group, and that supplemental work be performed as necessary.
- 23. If the Monitor becomes aware of facts or information that lead the Monitor to reasonably conclude that Servicer may be engaged in a pattern of noncompliance with a material term of the Servicing Standards that is reasonably likely to cause harm to borrowers or tenants residing in foreclosed properties or with any of the Mandatory Relief Requirements, the Monitor shall engage Servicer in a review to determine if the facts are accurate or the information is correct. If after that review, the Monitor reasonably concludes that such a pattern exists and is reasonably likely to cause material harm to borrowers or tenants residing in foreclosed properties, the Monitor may propose an additional Metric and associated Threshold Error Rate relating to Servicer's compliance with the associated term or requirement. Any additional Metrics and associated Threshold Error Rates (a) must be similar to the Metrics and associated Threshold Error Rates contained in Schedule E-1, (b) must relate to material terms of the Servicing Standards or one of the Mandatory Relief Requirements, (c) must either (i) be outcomes-based (but no outcome-based Metric shall be added with respect to any Mandatory Relief Requirement) or (ii) require the existence of policies and procedures required by the Servicing Standards or the Mandatory Relief Requirements, in a manner similar to Metrics 5.B-E, and (d) must be distinct from, and not overlap with, any other Metric or Metrics. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Monitor may add a Metric that satisfies (a)-(c) but does not satisfy (d) of the preceding sentence if the Monitor first asks the Servicer to propose, and then implement, a Corrective Action Plan, as defined below, for the material

- term of the Servicing Standards with which there is a pattern of noncompliance and that is reasonably likely to cause material harm to borrowers or tenants residing in foreclosed properties, and the Servicer fails to implement the Corrective Action Plan according to the timeline agreed to with the Monitor.
- 24. If Monitor proposes an additional Metric and associated Threshold Error Rate pursuant to Section C.23, above, Monitor, the Monitoring Committee, and Servicer shall agree on amendments to Schedule E-1 to include the additional Metrics and Threshold Error Rates provided for in Section C.23, above, and an appropriate timeline for implementation of the Metric. If Servicer does not timely agree to such additions, any associated amendments to the Work Plan, or the implementation schedule, the Monitor may petition the court for such additions.
- 25. Any additional Metric proposed by the Monitor pursuant to the processes in Sections C.12, C.23, or C.24 and relating to provision VIII.B.1 of the Servicing Standards shall be limited to Servicer's performance of its obligations to comply with (1) the federal Protecting Tenants at Foreclosure Act and state laws that provide comparable protections to tenants of foreclosed properties; (2) state laws that govern relocation assistance payments to tenants ("cash for keys"); and (3) state laws that govern the return of security deposits to tenants.

D. Reporting

Quarterly Reports

- 1. Following the end of each Quarter, Servicer will report the results of its Compliance Reviews for that Quarter (the "Quarterly Report"). The Quarterly Report shall include: (i) the Metrics for that Quarter; (ii) Servicer's progress toward meeting its payment obligations under this Consent Judgment; (iii) general statistical data on Servicer's overall servicing performance described in Schedule Y. Except where an extension is granted by the Monitor, Quarterly Reports shall be due no later than 45 days following the end of the Quarter and shall be provided to: (1) the Monitor, and (2) the Board of Servicer or a committee of the Board designated by Servicer. The first Quarterly Report shall cover the first full Quarter after this Consent Judgment is entered.
- 2. Following the end of each Quarter, Servicer will transmit to each state a report (the "State Report") including general statistical data on Servicer's servicing performance, such as aggregate and state-specific information regarding the number of borrowers assisted and credited activities conducted pursuant to the Consumer Relief Requirements, as described in Schedule Y. The State Report will be delivered simultaneous with the

submission of the Quarterly Report to the Monitor. Servicer shall provide copies of such State Reports to the Monitor and Monitoring Committee.

Monitor Reports

- Judgment in periodic reports setting forth his or her findings (the "Monitor Reports"). The first three Monitor Reports will each cover two Quarterly Reports. If the first three Monitor Reports do not find Potential Violations (as defined in Section E.1, below), each successive Monitor Report will cover four Quarterly Reports, unless and until a Quarterly Report reveals a Potential Violation (as defined in Section E.1, below). In the case of a Potential Violation, the Monitor may (but retains the discretion not to) submit a Monitor Report after the filing of each of the next two Quarterly Reports, provided, however, that such additional Monitor Report(s) shall be limited in scope to the Metric or Metrics as to which a Potential Violation has occurred.
- 4. Prior to issuing any Monitor Report, the Monitor shall confer with Servicer and the Monitoring Committee regarding its preliminary findings and the reasons for those findings. Servicer shall have the right to submit written comments to the Monitor, which shall be appended to the final version of the Monitor Report. Final versions of each Monitor Report shall be provided simultaneously to the Monitoring Committee and Servicers within a reasonable time after conferring regarding the Monitor's findings. The Monitor Reports shall be filed with the Court overseeing this Consent Judgment and shall also be provided to the Board of Servicer or a committee of the Board designated by Servicer.
- 5. The Monitor Report shall: (i) describe the work performed by the Monitor and any findings made by the Monitor's during the relevant period, (ii) list the Metrics and Threshold Error Rates, (iii) list the Metrics, if any, where the Threshold Error Rates have been exceeded, (iv) state whether a Potential Violation has occurred and explain the nature of the Potential Violation, and (v) state whether any Potential Violation has been cured. In addition, following each Satisfaction Review, the Monitor Report shall report on the Servicer's satisfaction of the Consumer Relief Requirements, including regarding the number of borrowers assisted and credited activities conducted pursuant to the Consumer Relief Requirements, and identify any material inaccuracies identified in prior State Reports. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Monitor Report may be used in any court hearing, trial, or other proceeding brought pursuant to this Consent Judgment pursuant to Section J, below, and shall be admissible in evidence in a proceeding brought under this Consent Judgment pursuant to Section J, below. Such admissibility shall not prejudice Servicer's right

and ability to challenge the findings and/or the statements in the Monitor Report as flawed, lacking in probative value or otherwise. The Monitor Report with respect to a particular Potential Violation shall not be admissible or used for any purpose if Servicer cures the Potential Violation pursuant to Section E, below.

Satisfaction of Payment Obligations

6. Upon the satisfaction of any category of payment obligation under this Consent Judgment, Servicer, at its discretion, may request that the Monitor certify that Servicer has discharged such obligation. Provided that the Monitor is satisfied that Servicer has met the obligation, the Monitor may not withhold and must provide the requested certification. Any subsequent Monitor Report shall not include a review of Servicer's compliance with that category of payment obligation.

Compensation

Within 120 days of entry of this Consent Judgment, the Monitor shall, in 7. consultation with the Monitoring Committee and Servicer, prepare and present to Monitoring Committee and Servicer an annual budget providing its reasonable best estimate of all fees and expenses of the Monitor to be incurred during the first year of the term of this Consent Judgment, including the fees and expenses of Professionals and support staff (the "Monitoring Budget"). On a yearly basis thereafter, the Monitor shall prepare an updated Monitoring Budget providing its reasonable best estimate of all fees and expenses to be incurred during that year. Absent an objection within 20 days, a Monitoring Budget or updated Monitoring Budget shall be implemented. Consistent with the Monitoring Budget, Servicer shall pay all fees and expenses of the Monitor, including the fees and expenses of Professionals and support staff. The fees, expenses, and costs of the Monitor, Professionals, and support staff shall be reasonable. Servicer may apply to the Court to reduce or disallow fees, expenses, or costs that are unreasonable.

E. Potential Violations and Right to Cure

- 1. A "Potential Violation" of this Consent Judgment occurs if the Servicer has exceeded the Threshold Error Rate set for a Metric in a given Quarter. In the event of a Potential Violation, Servicer shall meet and confer with the Monitoring Committee within 15 days of the Quarterly Report or Monitor Report indicating such Potential Violation.
- 2. Servicer shall have a right to cure any Potential Violation.
- 3. Subject to Section E.4, a Potential Violation is cured if (a) a corrective action plan approved by the Monitor (the "Corrective Action Plan") is determined by the Monitor to have been satisfactorily completed in

accordance with the terms thereof; and (b) a Quarterly Report covering the Cure Period reflects that the Threshold Error Rate has not been exceeded with respect to the same Metric and the Monitor confirms the accuracy of said report using his or her ordinary testing procedures. The Cure Period shall be the first full quarter after completion of the Corrective Action Plan or, if the completion of the Corrective Action Plan occurs within the first month of a Quarter and if the Monitor determines that there is sufficient time remaining, the period between completion of the Corrective Action Plan and the end of that Quarter.

- 4. If after Servicer cures a Potential Violation pursuant to the previous section, another violation occurs with respect to the same Metric, then the second Potential Violation shall immediately constitute an uncured violation for purposes of Section J.3, provided, however, that such second Potential Violation occurs in either the Cure Period or the quarter immediately following the Cure Period.
- 5. In addition to the Servicer's obligation to cure a Potential Violation through the Corrective Action Plan, Servicer must remediate any material harm to particular borrowers identified through work conducted under the Work Plan. In the event that a Servicer has a Potential Violation that so far exceeds the Threshold Error Rate for a metric that the Monitor concludes that the error is widespread, Servicer shall, under the supervision of the Monitor, identify other borrowers who may have been harmed by such noncompliance and remediate all such harms to the extent that the harm has not been otherwise remediated.
- 6. In the event a Potential Violation is cured as provided in Sections E.3, above, then no Party shall have any remedy under this Consent Judgment (other than the remedies in Section E.5) with respect to such Potential Violation.

F. Confidentiality

1. These provisions shall govern the use and disclosure of any and all information designated as "CONFIDENTIAL," as set forth below, in documents (including email), magnetic media, or other tangible things provided by the Servicer to the Monitor in this case, including the subsequent disclosure by the Monitor to the Monitoring Committee of such information. In addition, it shall also govern the use and disclosure of such information when and if provided to the participating state parties or the participating agency or department of the United States whose claims are released through this settlement ("participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement").

- 2. The Monitor may, at his discretion, provide to the Monitoring Committee or to a participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement any documents or information received from the Servicer related to a Potential Violation or related to the review described in Section C.19; provided, however, that any such documents or information so provided shall be subject to the terms and conditions of these provisions. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the Monitor from providing documents received from the Servicer and not designated as "CONFIDENTIAL" to a participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement.
- 3. The Servicer shall designate as "CONFIDENTIAL" that information, document or portion of a document or other tangible thing provided by the Servicer to the Monitor, the Monitoring Committee or to any other participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement that Servicer believes contains a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information subject to protection under applicable state or federal laws (collectively, "Confidential Information"). These provisions shall apply to the treatment of Confidential Information so designated.
- 4. Except as provided by these provisions, all information designated as "CONFIDENTIAL" shall not be shown, disclosed or distributed to any person or entity other than those authorized by these provisions. Participating states and federal agencies whose claims are released through this settlement agree to protect Confidential Information to the extent permitted by law.
- 5. This agreement shall not prevent or in any way limit the ability of a participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement to comply with any subpoena, Congressional demand for documents or information, court order, request under the Right of Financial Privacy Act, or a state or federal public records or state or federal freedom of information act request; provided, however, that in the event that a participating state or federal agency whose claims are released through this settlement receives such a subpoena, Congressional demand, court order or other request for the production of any Confidential Information covered by this Order, the state or federal agency shall, unless prohibited under applicable law or the unless the state or federal agency would violate or be in contempt of the subpoena, Congressional demand, or court order, (1) notify the Servicer of such request as soon as practicable and in no event more than ten (10) calendar days of its receipt or three calendar days before the return date of the request, whichever is sooner, and (2) allow the Servicer ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of the notice to obtain a protective order or stay of production for the

documents or information sought, or to otherwise resolve the issue, before the state or federal agency discloses such documents or information. In all cases covered by this Section, the state or federal agency shall inform the requesting party that the documents or information sought were produced subject to the terms of these provisions.

- G. Dispute Resolution Procedures. Servicer, the Monitor, and the Monitoring Committee will engage in good faith efforts to reach agreement on the proper resolution of any dispute concerning any issue arising under this Consent Judgment, including any dispute or disagreement related to the withholding of consent, the exercise of discretion, or the denial of any application. Subject to Section J, below, in the event that a dispute cannot be resolved, Servicer, the Monitor, or the Monitoring Committee may petition the Court for resolution of the dispute. Where a provision of this agreement requires agreement, consent of, or approval of any application or action by a Party or the Monitor, such agreement, consent or approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- H. Consumer Complaints. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to interfere with existing consumer complaint resolution processes, and the Parties are free to bring consumer complaints to the attention of Servicer for resolution outside the monitoring process. In addition, Servicer will continue to respond in good faith to individual consumer complaints provided to it by State Attorneys General or State Financial Regulators in accordance with the routine and practice existing prior to the entry of this Consent Judgment, whether or not such complaints relate to Covered Conduct released herein.
- I. Relationship to Other Enforcement Actions. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall affect requirements imposed on the Servicer pursuant to Consent Orders issued by the appropriate Federal Banking Agency (FBA), as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), against the Servicer. In conducting their activities under this Consent Judgment, the Monitor and Monitoring Committee shall not impede or otherwise interfere with the Servicer's compliance with the requirements imposed pursuant to such Orders or with oversight and enforcement of such compliance by the FBA.

J. Enforcement

- 1. **Consent Judgment.** This Consent Judgment shall be filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (the "Court") and shall be enforceable therein. Servicer and the Releasing Parties shall waive their rights to seek judicial review or otherwise challenge or contest in any court the validity or effectiveness of this Consent Judgment. Servicer and the Releasing Parties agree not to contest any jurisdictional facts, including the Court's authority to enter this Consent Judgment.
- 2. **Enforcing Authorities.** Servicer's obligations under this Consent Judgment shall be enforceable solely in the U.S. District Court for the

District of Columbia. An enforcement action under this Consent Judgment may be brought by any Party to this Consent Judgment or the Monitoring Committee. Monitor Report(s) and Quarterly Report(s) shall not be admissible into evidence by a Party to this Consent Judgment except in an action in the Court to enforce this Consent Judgment. In addition, unless immediate action is necessary in order to prevent irreparable and immediate harm, prior to commencing any enforcement action, a Party must provide notice to the Monitoring Committee of its intent to bring an action to enforce this Consent Judgment. The members of the Monitoring Committee shall have no more than 21 days to determine whether to bring an enforcement action. If the members of the Monitoring Committee decline to bring an enforcement action, the Party must wait 21 additional days after such a determination by the members of the Monitoring Committee before commencing an enforcement action.

- 3. **Enforcement Action.** In the event of an action to enforce the obligations of Servicer and to seek remedies for an uncured Potential Violation for which Servicer's time to cure has expired, the sole relief available in such an action will be:
 - (a) Equitable Relief. An order directing non-monetary equitable relief, including injunctive relief, directing specific performance under the terms of this Consent Judgment, or other non-monetary corrective action.
 - (b) Civil Penalties. The Court may award as civil penalties an amount not more than \$1 million per uncured Potential Violation; or, in the event of a second uncured Potential Violation of Metrics 1.a, 1.b, or 2.a (*i.e.*, a Servicer fails the specific Metric in a Quarter, then fails to cure that Potential Violation, and then in subsequent Quarters, fails the same Metric again in a Quarter and fails to cure that Potential Violation again in a subsequent Quarter), where the final uncured Potential Violation involves widespread noncompliance with that Metric, the Court may award as civil penalties an amount not more than \$5 million for the second uncured Potential Violation.

Nothing in this Section shall limit the availability of remedial compensation to harmed borrowers as provided in Section E.5.

(c) Any penalty or payment owed by Servicer pursuant to the Consent Judgment shall be paid to the clerk of the Court or as otherwise agreed by the Monitor and the Servicer and distributed by the Monitor as follows:

- 1. In the event of a penalty based on a violation of a term of the Servicing Standards that is not specifically related to conduct in bankruptcy, the penalty shall be allocated, first, to cover the costs incurred by any state or states in prosecuting the violation, and second, among the participating states according to the same allocation as the State Payment Settlement Amount.
- 2. In the event of a penalty based on a violation of a term of the Servicing Standards that is specifically related to conduct in bankruptcy, the penalty shall be allocated to the United States or as otherwise directed by the Director of the United States Trustee Program.
- 3. In the event of a payment due under Paragraph 10.d of the Consumer Relief requirements, 50% of the payment shall be allocated to the United States, and 50% shall be allocated to the State Parties to the Consent Judgment, divided among them in a manner consistent with the allocation in Exhibit B of the Consent Judgment.
- **K. Sunset.** This Consent Judgment and all Exhibits shall retain full force and effect for three and one-half years from the date it is entered (the "Term"), unless otherwise specified in the Exhibit. Servicer shall submit a final Quarterly Report for the last quarter or portion thereof falling within the Term, and shall cooperate with the Monitor's review of said report, which shall be concluded no later than six months following the end of the Term, after which time Servicer shall have no further obligations under this Consent Judgment.

EXHIBIT E-1

Servicing Standards Quarterly Compliance Metrics

Executive Summary

Sampling: (a) A random selection of the greater of 100 loans and a statistically significant sample. (b) Sample will be selected from the population as defined in column E

Review and Reporting Period: Results will be reported Quarterly and 45 days after the end of the quarter.

Errors Definition: An error is a measurement in response to a test question related to the Servicing Standards that results in the failure of the specified outcome. Errors in response to multiple questions with respect to a single outcome would be treated as only a single error.

Metrics Tested

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
1. Outcome Creates Significant Negative Customer Impact	gative Customer Impact				
A. Foreclosure sale in error	Customer is in default, legal standing to foreclose, and the loan is not subject to active trial, or BK.	n/a	1%	Population Definition: Foreclosure Sales that occurred in the review period. A. Sample :# of Foreclosure Sales in the review period that were tested. B. Error Definition: # of loans that went to foreclosure sale in error due to failure of any one of the test questions for this metric. Error Rate = B/A	 Did the foreclosing party have legal standing to foreclose? Was the borrower in an active trial period plan (unless the servicer took appropriate steps to postpone sale)? Was the borrower offered a loan modification fewer than 14 days before the foreclosure sale date (unless the borrower declined the offer or the servicer took appropriate steps to postpone the sale)? Was the borrower not in default (unless the default is cured to the satisfaction of the Servicer or investor within 10 days before the foreclosure sale date and the Servicer took appropriate steps to postpone sale)? Was the borrower protected from foreclosure by Bankruptcy (unless Servicer had notice of such protection fewer than 10 days before the foreclosure sale date and Servicer took appropriate steps to postpone sale)?
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B. Incorrect Mod denial	Measurements Program eligibility, all documentation received, DTI test, NPV test.	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹ 5% On income errors	Threshold Error Rate ² 5%	Test Loan Population and Error Definition Population Definition: Modification Denied In the Review Period. Error Definition: # of loans that were denied a modification as a result of failure of anyone of the test questions for this metric.	1. Was the evaluation of eligibility Inaccurate (as per HAMP, Fannie, Freddie or proprietary modification criterial)? 2. Was the income calculation Inaccurate? 3. Were the inputs used in the decision tool (NPV and Waterfall test) entered in error or inconsistent with company policy? 4. Was there an inaccurate determination that the documents received were incomplete? 5. Was there an inaccurate determination that the documents received were incomplete? 6. Was the trial inappropriately failed?
2. Integrity of Critical Sworn Documents	uments				
A. Was AOI properly prepared	Based upon personal knowledge, properly notarized, amounts agree to system of record within tolerance if overstated.	Question 1, Y/N; Question 2, Amounts overstated (or, for question on Escrow Amounts, understated) by the greater of \$99 or 1% of the Total Indebtedness Amount	%5	Population Definition: Affidavits of indebtedness filed in the review period. Error Definition: For question 1, yes; for question 2, the # of Loans where the sum of errors exceeds the allowable threshold.	 Taken as a whole and accounting for contrary evidence provided by the Servicer, does the sample indicate systemic issues with either affiants lacking personal knowledge or improper notarization? Verify all the amounts outlined below against the system of record a. Was the correct principal balance used Was the correct principal balance used iem) used? b. Was the escrow balance correct? c. Were correct other fees used? d. Was the correct corporate advance balance used? e. Was the correct late charge balance used? f. Was the suspense balance correct? g. Was the total indebtedness amount on the Affidavit correct?

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Metric B. POC	Measurements Accurate statement of pre-petition arrearage to system of record.	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹ Amounts over stated by the greater of \$50 or 3% of the correct Pre- Petition Arrearage	Threshold Error Rate ² 5%	Test Loan Population and Error Definition Population Definition: POCs filed in the review period. Error Definition: # of Loans where sum of errors exceeds the allowable threshold.	Test Questions 1) Are the correct amounts set forth in the form, with respect to pre-petition missed payments, fees, expenses charges, and escrow shortages or deficiencies?
C. MRS Affidavits	Customer is in default and amount of arrearage is within tolerance.	Amounts overstated (or for escrows amounts, understated) by the greater of \$50 or 3% of the correct Post Petition Total Balance	5%	Population Definition: Affidavits supporting MRS's filed in the review period Error Definition: # of Loans where the sum of errors exceeds the allowable threshold.	Verify against the system of record, within tolerance if overstated: a. the post-petition default amount; b. the amount of fees or charges applied to such pre-petition default amount or post-petition amount since the later of the date of the petition or the preceding statement; and c. escrow shortages or deficiencies.

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	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
3. Pre-foreclosure Initiation					
A. Pre Foredosure Initiation	Accuracy of Account information.	Amounts over stated by the greater of \$99 or 1% of the Total balance	% S	Population Definition: Loans with a Foreclosure referral date in the review period. Error Definition: # of Loans that were referred to foreclosure with an error in any one of the foreclosure initiation test questions.	** Verify all the amounts outlined below against the system of record. 1. Was the loan delinquent as of the date the first legal action was filed? 2. Was information contained in the Account Statement completed accurately? a) The total amount needed to reinstate or bring the account current, and the amount of the principal; b) The date through which the borrower's obligation is paid; c) The date of the last full payment; d) The current interest rate in effect for the loan; e) The date on which the interest rate may next reset or adjust; f) The amount of any prepayment fee to be charged, if any; g) A description of any late payment fees; and h) a telephone number or electronic mail address that may be used by the obligor to obtain information regarding the mortgage.

L	Test Questions	1. Were all the required notifications statements mailed no later than 14 days prior to first Legal Date (i) Account Statement; (ii) Ownership Statement; and (iii) Loss Mitigation Statement? 2. Did the Ownership Statement accurately reflect that the servicer or investor has the right to foreclose? 3. Was the Loss Mitigation Statement complete and did it accurately state that a) The borrower was ineligible (if applicable); or b) The borrower was solicited, was the subject of right party contact routines, and that any timely application submitted by the borrower was evaluated?
Е	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Population Definition: Loans with a Foreclosure referral date in the review period. Error Definition: # of Loans that were referred to foreclosure with an error in any one of the foreclosure initiation test questions.
Q	Threshold Error Rate ²	%5
O	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹	A/N
8	Measurements	Notification sent to the customer supporting right to foreclose along with: Applicable information upon customers request, Account statement information, Ownership statement, and Loss Mitigation statement. Notifications required before 14 days prior to referral to foreclosure.
∢	Metric	B. Pre Foreclosure Initiation Notifications

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
4. Accuracy and Timeliness of Payr	4. Accuracy and Timeliness of Payment Application and Appropriateness of Fees				
A. Fees adhere to guidance (Preservation fees, Valuation fees and Attorney's fees) B. Adherence to customer payment processing	Services rendered, consistent with loan instrument, within applicable requirements. Payments posted timely (within 2 business days of receipt) and accurately.	Amounts over stated by the greater of \$50 or 3% of the Total Default Related Fees Collected understated by the greater \$50.00 or 3% of the scheduled payment	%5 %5	Population Definition: Defaulted loans (60 +) with borrower payable default related fees* collected. Error Definition: # of loans where the sum of default related fee errors exceeds the threshold. * Default related fees are defined as any fee collected for a default-related service after the agreement date. Population Definition: All subject payments posted within review period. Error Definition: # of loans with an error in any one of the payment application test questions.	1. Was the frequency of the fees collected (in excess of what is consistent with state guidelines or fee provisions in servicing standards? 2. Was amount of the fee collected higher than the amount allowable under the Servicer's Fee schedule and for which there was not a valid exception? 1. Were payments posted to the right account number? 2. Were payments posted to the right amount? 3. Were properly identified conforming payments posted within 2 business days of receipt? 4. Did servicer accept payments within \$50.00 of the scheduled payment, including principal and interest and where applicable taxes and insurance as required by the servicing standards? 5. Were partial payments credited to the borrower's account as of the date that the funds cover a full payment? 6. Were payments posted to principal interest and expenses?

F	Test Questions 1. Were all required waivers of Fees,		Was a late fee collected with respect to a delinquency attributable solely to late fees or delinquency charges assessed on an earlier payment?
Е	Test Loan Population and Error Definition Population Definition: All accounts where in-	line reconciliation routine is completed within review period. Error Definition: # of loans with an error in the reconciliation routine resulting in overstated amounts remaining on the borrower account.	Population Definition: All late fees collected within the review period. Error Definition: # of loans with an error on any one of the test questions.
D	Threshold Error Rate ² 5%		% in
С	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹ Amounts over	stated by the greater of \$50 or 3 % of the correct reconciliation amount	N >>
В	Measurements Appropriately updating the Servicer's	systems of record in connection with the reconciliation of payments as of the date of dismissal of a debtor's Chapter 13 bankruptcy case, entry of an order granting Servicer relief from the stay under Chapter 13, or entry of an order granting the debtor a discharge under Chapter 13, to reflect the waiver of any fee, expense or charge pursuant to paragraphs III.B.1.c.i or III.B.1.d of the Servicing Standards (within applicable tolerances).	Late fees are collected only as permitted under the Servicing Standards (within applicable tolerances).
A	Metric C. Reconciliation of certain	waived fees. (I.b.11.C)	D. Late fees adhere to guidance

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
5. Policy/Process Implementation A. Third Party Vendor Management	Is periodic third party review process in place? Is there evidence of remediation of identified issues?	N >	z	Quarterly review of a vendors providing Foreclosure Bankruptcy, Loss mitigation and other Mortgage services. Error Definition: Failure on any one of the test questions for this metric.	 Is there evidence of documented oversight policies and procedures demonstrating compliance with vendor oversight provisions: (i) adequate due diligence procedures, (ii) adequate enforcement procedures (iii) adequate enforcement procedures (iii) adequate remediation procedures;³ Is there evidence of periodic sampling and testing of foreclosure documents (including notices of default and letters of reinstatement) and bankruptcy documents prepared by vendors on behalf of the servicer? Is there evidence of periodic sampling of fees and costs assessed by vendors to; (i) substantiate services were rendered (ii) fees are in compliance with servicing schedule (iii) Fees are compliant with state law and provisions of the servicing standards? Is there evidence of vendor scorecards used to evaluate vendor performance that include quality metrics (error rate etc)? Evidence of remediation for vendors who fail metrics set forth in vendor scorecards and/or QC sample tests consistent with the servicer policy and procedures?
B. Customer Portal	Implementation of a customer portal.	N/A	Z	A Quarterly testing review of Customer Portal.	 Does the portal provide loss mitigation status updates?

L	Is there evidence of documented policies and procedures demonstrating compliance with SPOC program provisions? Is there evidence that a single point of contact is available for applicable borrowers? Is there evidence that relevant records relating to borrower's account are available to the borrower's SPOC? Is there evidence that the SPOC has been identified to the borrower's SPOC? Is there evidence that the SPOC has been method the borrower and the method the borrower may use to contact the SPOC has been communicated to the borrower.	Is there evidence of documented oversight policies and procedures demonstrating effective forecasting, capacity planning, training and monitoring of staffing requirements for foredosure operations? Is there evidence of periodic training and certification of employees who prepare Affidavits sworn statements or declarations.	Is there evidence of documented policies and procedures sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that affiants have personal knowledge of the matters covered by affidavits of indebtedness and have reviewed affidavit before signing it?	Is there evidence of documented policies and procedures designed to ensure that the system of record contains documentation of key activities?
	Test Questions 1. Is there evider and procedure compliance wi provisions? 2. Is there evider contact is avail borrowers? 3. Is there evider relating to bor available to th 4. Is there evider identified to the method the bot the SPOC has borrower?	1. Is there evider oversight policed demonstrating capacity plant of staffing requestions? 2. Is there evider certification of Affidavits swo declarations.	Sthere evider and procedure reasonable as personal know covered by aff have reviewed.	sthere evider and procedure the system of documentation
Ш	Test Loan Population and Error Definition Quarterly review of SPOC program per provisions in the servicing standard. Population Definition (for Question 4): Potentially eligible borrowers who were identified as requesting loss mitigation assistance. Error Definition: Failure on any one of the test questions for this metric.	Loss mitigation, SPOC and Foreclosure Staff. Error Definition: Failure on any one of the test questions for this metric.	Annual Review of Policy.	Annual Review of Policy.
О	Threshold Error Rate ² N For Question #4: 5%	z	Z	Z
O	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹ Y/N 5% for Question 4	N/X	N />	N/A
Δ	Measurements Implement single point of contact ("SPOC").	Training and staffing adequacy requirements.	Affidavits of Indebtedness are signed by affiants who have personal knowledge of relevant facts and properly review the affidavit before signing it.	System of record electronically documents key activity of a foreclosure, loan modification, or bankruptcy.
4	C. SPOC	D. Workforce Management	E. Affidavit of Indebtedness egrity.	F. Account Status Activity. BAB

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
6. Customer Experiences					
A. Complaint response timeliness	Meet the requirements of Regulator complaint handling.	N/A	%2	Population Definition: Government submitted complaints and inquiries from individual borrowers who are in default and/or have applied for loan modifications received during the three months prior to 40 days prior to the review period. (To allow for response period to expire). Error Definition: # of loans that exceeded the required response timeline.	 Was written acknowledgment regarding complaint/inquires sent within 10 business days of complaint/inquiry receipt?** Was a written response ("Forward Progress") sent within 30 calendar days of complaint/inquiry receipt?** **receipt= from the Attorney General, state financial regulators, the Executive Office for United States Trustees/regional offices of the United States Trustees, and the federal regulators and documented within the System of Record.
B. Loss Mitigation					
i. Loan Modification Document Collection timeline compliance		N/A	%5	Population Definition: Loan modifications and loan modification requests (packages) that that were missing documentation at receipt and received more than 40 days prior to the end of the review period. Error Definition: The total # of loans processed outside the allowable timelines as defined under each timeline requirement tested.	Did the Servicer notify borrower of any known deficiency in borrower's initial submission of information, no later than 5 business days after receipt, including any missing information or documentation? 2. Was the Borrower afforded 30 days from the date of Servicer's notification of any missing information or documentation to supplement borrower's submission of information prior to making a determination on whether or not to grant an initial loan modification?

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
ii. Loan Modification Decision/Notification timeline compliance			10%	Population Definition: Loan modification requests (packages) that are denied or approved in the review period. Error Definition: The total # of loans processed outside the allowable timelines as defined under each timeline requirement tested.	 Did the servicer respond to request for a modification within 30 days of receipt of all necessary documentation? Denial Communication: Did the servicer notify customers within 10 days of denial decision?
iii. Loan Modification Appeal timeline compliance			10%	Population Definition: Loan modification requests (packages) that are borrower appeals in the review period. Error Definition: The total # of loans processed outside the allowable timeline tested.	 Did Servicer respond to a borrowers request for an appeal within 30 days of receipt?
iv. Short Sale Decision timeline compliance			10%	Population Definition: Short sale requests (packages) that are complete in the three months prior to 30 days prior to the end of the review period. (to allow for short sale review to occur). Error Definition: The total # of loans processed outside the allowable timeline tested.	 Was short sale reviewed and a decision communicated within 30 days of borrower submitting completed package?

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
v. Short Sale Document Collection timeline compliance			2%	Population Definition: Short sale requests (packages) missing documentation that are received in the three months prior to 30 days prior to the end of the review period (to allow for short sale review to occur). Error Definition: The total # of loans processed outside the allowable timeline tested.	Did the Servicer provide notice of missing documents within 30 days of the request for the short sale?
vi. Charge of application fees for Loss mitigation			1%	Population Definition: loss mitigation requests (packages) that are Incomplete, denied, approved and borrower appeals in the review period. (Same as 6.B.i) Error Definition: The # of loss mitigation applications where servicer collected a processing fee.	 Did the servicer assess a fee for processing a loss mitigation request?
vii. Short Sales					
a. Inclusion of notice of whether or not a deficiency will be required	Provide information related to any required deficiency claim.	n/a	%5	Population Definition: Short sales approved in the review period. Error Definition: The # of short sales that failed any one of the deficiency test questions	 If the short sale was accepted, did borrower receive notification that deficiency or cash contribution will be needed? Did borrower receive in this notification approximate amounts related to deficiency or cash contribution?
viii. Dual Track					

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Metric	Measurements	Loan Level Tolerance for Error ¹	Threshold Error Rate ²	Test Loan Population and Error Definition	Test Questions
a. Referred to foreclosure in violation of Dual Track Provisions	Loan was referred to foreclosure in error.	n/a	%2	gal ny	 Was the first legal action taken while the servicer was in possession of an active, complete loan modification package (as defined by the Servicing Standards) that was not decisioned as required by the standards? Was the first legal commenced while the borrower was approved for a loan modification but prior to the expiration of the borrower acceptance period, borrower decline of offer or while in an active trial period plan?
b. Failure to postpone foreclosure proceedings in violation of Dual Track Provisions	Foreclosure proceedings allowed to proceed in error.	n/a	%5	Population Definition: Active foreclosures during review period. Error Definition: # of active foreclosures that went to judgment as a result of failure of any one on of the active foreclosure dual track test question.	 Did the servicer proceed to judgment or order of sale upon receipt of a complete loan modification package within 30 days of the Post-Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter?** **Compliance of Dual tracking provisions for foreclosure sales are referenced in 1.A
C. Forced Placed Insurance					
i. Timeliness of notices	Notices sent timely with necessary information.	e/u	%5	Population Definition: Loans with forced placed coverage initiated in review period. Error Definition: # of loans with active force place insurance resulting from an error in any one of the force-place insurance test questions.	 Did Servicer send all required notification letters (ref. V 3a i-vii) notifying the customer of lapse in insurance coverage? Did the notification offer the customer the option to have the account escrowed to facilitate payment of all insurance premiums and any arrearage by the servicer prior to obtaining force place insurance? Did the servicer assess forced place insurance when there was evidence of a valid policy?
ii Termination of Force place Insurance	Timely termination of force placed insurance.		2%	Population Definition: Loans with forced placed coverage terminated in review period. Error Definition: # of loans terminated force place insurance with an error in any one of the force-place insurance test questions.	Did Servicer terminate FPI within 15 days of receipt of evidence of a borrower's existing insurance coverage and refund the pro-rated portion to the borrower's escrow account?

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Ω	Threshold Error Rate ² nce between th
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reportable

² Threshold Error Rate: For each metric or outcome tested if the total number of reportable errors as a percentage of the total number of cases tested exceeds this limit then the

³ For purposes of determining whether a proposed Metric and associated Threshold Error Rate is similar to those contained in this Schedule, this Metric 5.A shall be excluded from Servicer will be determined to have failed that metric for the reported period. consideration and shall not be treated as representative.

EXHIBIT F

FEDERAL RELEASE

This Federal Release ("Release") is entered into among the United States of America, its agencies, and departments (collectively, "the United States"), acting through the United States Department of Justice, and Wells Fargo & Company (the "COMPANY") (hereafter the United States and the COMPANY are collectively referred to as "the Parties"), through their authorized representatives.

RECITALS

- A. The COMPANY is a Delaware corporation headquartered in San Francisco, California.
- B. The COMPANY is a financial holding and a bank holding company. The COMPANY, either through its own operations or through the operations of its affiliates and subsidiaries, serves, and during the relevant period served: (1) as a participant in the Direct Endorsement Lender program of the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) within the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); (2) as a mortgagee or servicer for mortgages insured or guaranteed by federal mortgage programs administered by agencies that include FHA, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development; (3) as a participating servicer in the Making Home Affordable Program (MHA) (including MHA's component program, the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP)) of the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) and HUD, and as a participant in various state programs of the Housing Finance Agency Innovation Fund for the Hardest Hit Housing Markets (HHF); and (4) as an entity that litigates single-family

residential mortgage issues in U.S. Bankruptcy Courts in capacities that include commencing and pursuing or supporting litigation commenced against mortgagors and other debtors.

- C. The United States contends that it has certain civil claims based on conduct of the COMPANY and its affiliated entities in servicing of mortgage loans (the "Covered Servicing Conduct"). Such Covered Servicing Conduct encompasses all activities of the COMPANY, of any affiliated entity during or prior to such time as it was an affiliated entity, and all of the current or former officers, directors, employees and agents of any of the foregoing, directed toward servicing (including subservicing and master servicing), whether for their own account or for the account of others, of mortgage loans for single-family residential homeowners (which includes loans secured by one- to four-family residential properties, whether used for investor or consumer purposes), whether in the form of a mortgage, deed of trust or other security instrument creating a lien upon such property or any other property described therein that secures the related mortgage loan ("single-family residential mortgage loans") from and after the closing of a borrower's mortgage loan and includes, but is not limited to, the following conduct:
- (1) Deficiencies in performing loan modification and other loss mitigation activities, including extensions, forbearances, short sales and deeds in lieu of foreclosure, setting the qualifying criteria for any of the foregoing and/or setting the terms and conditions for any of the foregoing;
- (2) Deficiencies in foreclosing on single-family residential mortgage loans or acquiring title in lieu of foreclosure, including the designation and identity of the foreclosing party, the timing of foreclosures, transfer of legal or beneficial ownership to the mortgage loan

and/or the related servicing rights or obligations, the charging of any fees, the preparation, contents, execution, notarization or presentation of any documents filed with or submitted to a court or any government agency, or otherwise used as part of the foreclosure process (including, but not limited to, affidavits, declarations, certifications, substitutions of trustees, and assignments) and dual-tracking foreclosure and loan modification activities, and communications with borrowers in respect of foreclosure;

- (3) Other deficiencies in servicing single-family residential mortgage loans relating to:
- (a) Collections activity, including all contact with borrowers (e.g., telephone calls, letters, and in-person visits) in respect of such activities;
- (b) Practices relating to paying or failing to pay taxes (including property taxes), hazard insurance, forced-place insurance, and homeowner association dues or other items provided for in a mortgage loan escrow arrangement (including making or failing to make such payments), including obtaining or maintaining insurance and advancing funds to pay therefor and the creation and maintenance of such escrow accounts;
- (c) Use or supervision of vendors, agents and contract employees, and their activities in connection with creation and recording of assignments, servicing, foreclosure, and loss mitigation activities, including subservicers, foreclosure and bankruptcy attorneys, and other default service providers, and pursuit of claims against vendors and other third parties for failure of such third parties to comply with contractual or other obligations;

- (d) Activities related to the executing, notarizing, transferring or recording of mortgages; the obtaining, executing, notarizing, transferring or recording of assignments; or activities related to the use of any mortgage registry system, including MERS, and including the transferring of mortgages or assignments using MERS;
- (e) Account statements, disclosures, and/or other communications to borrowers; unintentional reporting errors regarding activities that, but for this Paragraph, would be Covered Servicing Conduct, and unintentional remittance errors that are cured;
- (f) Maintenance and placement of loan-level and pool-level mortgage insurance and guarantees, hazard insurance, flood insurance, title insurance, and other insurance related to mortgage loans and related properties, including claims activity;
- (g) Handling and resolution of inquiries, disputes and complaints by or
 on behalf of borrowers and frequency and adequacy of communications with borrowers;
- (h) Securing, inspecting, repairing, maintaining, or preserving properties both before and after foreclosure or other acquisition of title;
- (i) Adequacy of staffing, training, systems and processes, including maintenance and security of access to records relating to servicing, foreclosure, bankruptcy, property sale and management and activities related or ancillary thereto;
- (j) Determinations in respect of the appropriate actions of obtaining value for mortgage loans, including whether to pursue foreclosure on properties, whether to assert

or abandon liens and other claims and actions taken in respect thereof, and whether to pursue a loan modification or any particular loan modification or other form of loss mitigation;

- (k) Acceptance, rejection, application, or reporting of payments made on behalf of borrowers, including the assessment of any fees and placement of the payment(s) in a suspense account;
- (l) Obtaining, securing, updating, transferring, or providing promissory notes or endorsements of promissory notes through allonges or otherwise;
- (m) Licensing or registration of employees, agents, or contractors, or designation of employees as agents for another entity, through corporate resolutions or Powers of Attorney or otherwise;
- (n) Pursuing claims post foreclosure, including seeking deficiency judgments;
- (o) Eviction notices, registrations of vacant properties, and any activity relating to the sale or disposition of foreclosed or acquired properties (including Real Estate Owned properties), including management of such properties and proceedings related to such properties;
- (p) Executing, notarizing, or recording any documents related to the sale of acquired properties, including the warranty deeds and closing documents;

- (q) Custodial and trustee functions related to the Covered ServicingConduct;
- (r) Quality control, quality assurance or compliance or audit testing or oversight related to the Covered Servicing Conduct; for avoidance of doubt, quality control or compliance reviews associated with the origination, sale, or securitization of mortgage loans does not constitute Covered Servicing Conduct;
- (s) Reporting, certification or registration requirements related to any of the Covered Servicing Conduct; and
- (t) Communications with borrowers with respect to the Covered Servicing Conduct.
- (4) Deficiencies in the COMPANY's or any of its affiliates' participation in and implementation of the Hardest Hit Fund Program and Making Home Affordable Program, including all of its component programs (e.g., HAMP, 2MP, HAFA, UP, PRA-HAMP, FHA-HAMP, FHA2LP, and RD-HAMP).
- D. The United States further contends that it has certain civil claims based on the conduct of the COMPANY and its affiliated entities in originating mortgage loans (the "Covered Origination Conduct"). Such Covered Origination Conduct consists of all activities of the COMPANY, of any affiliated entity during or prior to such time as it was an affiliated entity, and all of the current or former officers, directors, employees, and agents of any of the foregoing, directed toward directly or indirectly originating, assisting in the origination of, or purchasing

single-family residential mortgage loans and excludes conduct occurring following the closing of the borrower's mortgage loan that is otherwise covered as the Covered Servicing Conduct. Such Covered Origination Conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following conduct:

- (1) Submitting loans for insurance endorsement and claims for insurance benefits for FHA loans that the COMPANY or any affiliated entity during or prior to such time as it was an affiliated entity endorsed or underwrote as a participant in the FHA's Direct Endorsement Program that failed to meet any applicable underwriting requirements, including those set forth in the applicable version of the HUD Handbook 4155.1, as supplemented by relevant mortgagee letters, all as of the time of origination;
- (2) Submitting loans for insurance endorsement or claims for insurance benefits for FHA loans that the COMPANY or any affiliated entity during or prior to such time as it was an affiliated entity endorsed or underwrote as a participant in the FHA's Direct Endorsement Program while failing to implement applicable quality control measures; and
- (3) Other deficiencies in originating single-family residential mortgage loans relating to:
- (a) Processing, underwriting, closing, or funding of loans and the terms and conditions of such loans;
 - (b) Approving or denying loan applications;

- (c) Pricing of loans, including the charging and splitting of any fee or discount points;
- (d) Recommendations of particular types of loan products, loan features or terms and conditions of any loan;
- (e) Valuing the properties used as collateral for such loans, including use of employee, independent and vendor management appraisers and alternative valuation methods such as AVMs and BPOs;
- (f) Use of vendors, including vendor management companies and other providers of real estate settlement services, whether affiliated or unaffiliated;
- (g) Payment of fees or other things of value in connection with the
 making or receiving of referrals of settlement and other services;
- (h) Conduct of any vendors used in connection with the origination of loans, including, but not limited to, closing agents, appraisers, real estate agents, title review, flood inspection, and mortgage brokers;
- (i) Drafting of loan documents and loan disclosures and the provision of such disclosures;
- (j) Obtaining and recording of collateral documents relating to loans, including, but not limited to, use of trustees or designees on mortgages or deeds of trust;
 - (k) Advertising of loans and solicitation of borrowers; F-8

- (l) Licensing, registration, qualifications or approvals of employees in connection with the Covered Origination Conduct; and
- (m) Quality control, quality assurance or compliance or audit testing or oversight related to the Covered Origination Conduct.
- E. The United States further contends that it has certain civil claims based on the COMPANY's servicing, including servicing by any affiliated entity during or prior to such time as it was an affiliated entity, and by any of the COMPANY's or such affiliated entities' current or former officers, directors, employees, and agents, of loans of borrowers in bankruptcy (the "Covered Bankruptcy Conduct"). Such Covered Bankruptcy Conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following conduct:
- (1) Deficiencies in servicing residential mortgage loans for borrowers in bankruptcy relating to:
- (a) The preparation, prosecution, documentation, substantiation, or filing of proofs of claim, motions seeking relief from the automatic stay, objections to plan confirmation, motions to dismiss bankruptcy cases, and affidavits, declarations, and other mortgage-related documents in bankruptcy courts;
- (b) Charging and timing of fees and expenses, including any fees or expenses assessed to the borrower due to delay while the bankruptcy court reviews a pending request for loan modification or delay by the Chapter 13 trustee to timely remit the borrower's payments;

- (c) Use or disclosure of escrow accounts, including any advances on borrower's behalf;
- (d) Account statements, disclosures, and/or other communications to borrowers, including: (i) assessing, imposing, posting, or collecting fees and charges; (ii) disclosure of fees and charges assessed, imposed or posted during the bankruptcy case; and (iii) collection of undisclosed post-petition fees and charges after the borrower receives a discharge, the COMPANY obtains relief from the automatic stay, or the bankruptcy case is dismissed;
- (e) Adequacy of staffing, training, systems, and processes relating to administering and servicing loans for borrowers in bankruptcy;
- (f) Use or supervision of vendors and contract employees, including Lender Processing Services, Inc., bankruptcy attorneys and other default service providers;
- (g) Pursuit of or failure to pursue claims against vendors and other third parties for failure of such third parties to comply with contractual or other obligations; and
- (h) Handling and resolution of inquiries, disputes or complaints by or on behalf of borrowers, and frequency and adequacy of communications with borrowers in bankruptcy.
- (2) Deficiencies in accounting for, processing, approving and administering loan modifications for borrowers in bankruptcy relating to:

- (a) Charging late fees or seeking arrearages while a trial period modification plan or permanent loan modification plan is in place and borrower is timely making payments under the terms of the loan modification plan;
- (b) Seeking relief from the automatic stay when the COMPANY has approved a trial period or permanent loan modification plan and borrower is timely making payments under the terms of the loan modification plan; and
- (c) Delays in approving or finalizing the documentation necessary to the approval of loan modifications for borrowers in bankruptcy.
- F. This Release is neither an admission of liability of the allegations of the Complaint or in cases settled pursuant to this Consent Judgment, nor a concession by the United States that its claims are not well-founded.

To avoid the delay, uncertainty, inconvenience, and expense of protracted litigation of the above claims, and in consideration of the mutual promises and obligations of the Consent Judgment, the Parties agree and covenant as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(1) The COMPANY and/or its affiliated entities shall pay or cause to be paid, for the purposes specified in the Consent Judgment, the amount specified in Paragraph 3 of the Consent Judgment ("Direct Payment Settlement Amount") by electronic funds transfer no later than seven days after the United States District Court for the District of Columbia enters the final non-appealable Consent Judgment (the "Effective Date of the Consent Judgment") pursuant to

written instructions to be provided by the United States Department of Justice. The COMPANY and/or its affiliated entities shall also undertake, for the purposes specified in the Consent Judgment, certain consumer relief activities as set forth in Exhibit D to such Consent Judgment and will be obligated to make certain payments (the "Consumer Relief Payments") in the event that it does not or they do not complete the Consumer Relief Requirements set forth in Exhibit D to the Consent Judgment. The releases contained in this Release shall become effective upon payment of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount. The United States may declare this Release null and void with respect to the United States if the COMPANY or its affiliated entities do not make the Consumer Relief Payments required under this Consent Judgment and fails to cure such non-payment within thirty days of written notice by the United States.

(2)

claims) below, the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims the United States has or may have, and from any civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose, based on the Covered Servicing Conduct that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 (and, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to FHA-insured loans, whether or not a claim for mortgage

insurance benefits has been or is in the future submitted), under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act ("FIRREA"), the False Claims Act, the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, the Truth in Lending Act, the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1691(d) ("Reason for Adverse Action") or § 1691(e) ("Appraisals"), sections 502 through 509 (15 U.S.C. § 6802-6809) of the Gramm-Leach Bliley Act except for section 505 (15 U.S.C. § 6805) as it applies to section 501(b) (15 U.S.C. § 6801(b)), or that the Civil Division of the United States Department of Justice has actual and present authority to assert and compromise pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 0.45.

(b) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below, the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, or current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims the United States has or may have, and from any civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose, based on the Covered Origination

Conduct that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012, under the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Truth in Lending

Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1691(d) ("Reason for Adverse Action") or § 1691(e) ("Appraisals"), or the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act.

- claims) below, the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liability associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims the United States has or may have, and from any civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek to impose under FIRREA based on the Covered Origination Conduct only to the extent that:
 - fraudulent representations (or a scheme to defraud consisting solely of such a false, misleading or fraudulent representation) made by the COMPANY or affiliated entity as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012, to a borrower in connection with the COMPANY's or affiliated entity's making of a residential mortgage loan to such borrower; or (B) an action pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1833a(c)(2) in which the action is consisting solely of the allegation that the COMPANY or one of its affiliated entities made a false statement or misrepresentation (or engaged in a scheme to defraud based solely upon such a false statement or misrepresentation) to the COMPANY or another affiliated entity, as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012, in connection with the COMPANY's or affiliated entity's making of a residential mortgage loan to a borrower; and

(ii) (A) the only federally insured financial institution that was affected by the statement or misrepresentation (or scheme), or by actions based on, incorporating, or omitting the statement or misrepresentation (or scheme) was the COMPANY or an affiliated entity; (B) the false statement or misrepresentation (or scheme) was not made to, directed at, or part of a scheme to defraud, any person or entity other than or in addition to the borrower and/or the COMPANY or an affiliated entity, including, but not limited to, any other financial institution (as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 20), investors, and governmental entities; (C) the false statement or misrepresentation (or scheme), or actions based on, incorporating, or omitting the statement or misrepresentation (or scheme) did not harm any other financial institution (as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 20), investors, governmental entities, or any other entities other than the COMPANY or an affiliated entity; and (D) there was no material monetary effect on an agency of the United States.

(3)

(a) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively,

from any civil or administrative claims it has or may have, and from any civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose, based on the Covered Servicing Conduct with respect to FHA loans that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 (and, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to FHA-insured loans, whether or not a claim for mortgage insurance benefits has been or is in the future submitted). Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no instance shall this Release relieve the COMPANY or any affiliated entity from the obligation to remedy, upon identification, defects of title or such other problems caused by the acts or omissions of the COMPANY or any affiliated entity that may preclude FHA from accepting assignment or paying a claim for which FHA lacks statutory authority pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1707(a) and § 1710(a)(1)(B), in which case FHA shall reconvey the property back to the COMPANY or the affiliated entity to remedy the defect in title or such other problem and the COMPANY or the affiliated entity shall convey the property back to FHA once the defect or problem is cured. Further, nothing in this Release shall relieve COMPANY or affiliated entity of any obligation to provide FHA with any and all mortgage insurance premium payments that have been or should have been collected, plus interest, if any. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Release, FHA shall calculate the payment of insurance benefits for any insured mortgage in accordance with its regulations.

(b) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below, the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the F-16

foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims it has or may have and from any civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose under FIRREA, the False Claims Act, and the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act where the sole basis for such claim or claims is that the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity) or any of their respective successors or assigns, submitted to HUD-FHA prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 a false or fraudulent annual certification that the mortgagee had "conform[ed] to all HUD-FHA regulations necessary to maintain its HUD-FHA approval" (including, but not limited to, the requirement that the mortgagee implement and maintain a quality control program that conforms to HUD-FHA requirements), or "complied with and agree[d] to continue to comply with HUD-FHA regulations, handbooks, Mortgagee Letters, Title I Letters, policies, and terms of any agreements entered into with the Department under HUD's Direct Endorsement Program." For avoidance of doubt, this Paragraph means that the United States is barred from asserting that a false annual certification renders the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity) liable under the False Claims Act and the other laws cited above for loans endorsed by the COMPANY or its affiliated entity for FHA insurance during the period of time applicable to the annual certification without regard to whether any such loans contain material violations of HUD-FHA requirements, or that a false individual loan certification that "this mortgage is eligible for HUD mortgage insurance under the Direct Endorsement program" renders the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such

former affiliated entity) liable under the False Claims Act for any individual loan that does not contain a material violation of HUD-FHA requirements. However, this Paragraph does not (i) release, bar or otherwise preclude the right of the United States to pursue any civil or administrative claims or remedies it has or may have, or release or preclude under res judicata or collateral estoppel theories any civil or administrative remedies or penalties it may seek or impose, against the COMPANY, any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, for conduct with respect to the insurance of residential mortgage loans that violates any laws, regulations or other HUD-FHA requirements applicable to the insurance of residential mortgage loans by HUD, including, but not limited to, material violations of any applicable HUD-FHA requirements with respect to an individual loan or loans, except if and to the extent such claim, remedy or penalty is based solely on such entity's failure to provide HUD with an accurate annual certification as described above; (ii) release or otherwise bar the United States from introducing evidence of any alleged failure to comply with applicable HUD-FHA requirements, including, but not limited to, sufficient quality control, underwriting or due diligence programs, in any way (including, but not limited to, for the purpose of proving intent) in connection with any claim that there was a material violation(s) of applicable HUD-FHA requirements with respect to an individual loan or loans that would subject the COMPANY or an affiliated entity to liability under the False Claims Act or any other federal statutory or common law administrative or judicial claim; or (iii) permit the COMPANY or its affiliates to offset or otherwise reduce any potential liability for such claims or remedies by any amount paid under the Consent Judgment. The parties agree that the issue of whether and to what extent the United

States may use statistical sampling of individual loans or similar techniques for calculating damages or proving material violations of HUD-FHA underwriting requirements with respect to a pool of loans is not addressed by the Consent Judgment and shall be governed by the law of the relevant administrative or judicial forum of any future dispute. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no instance shall this Release relieve the COMPANY or any affiliated entity from the obligation to remedy, upon identification, defects of title or such other problems caused by the acts or omissions of the COMPANY or an affiliated entity that may preclude FHA from accepting assignment or paying a claim for which FHA lacks statutory authority pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1707(a) and § 1710(a)(1)(B), in which case FHA shall reconvey the property back to the COMPANY or affiliated entity to remedy the defect in title or such other problem and the COMPANY or affiliated entity shall convey the property back to FHA once the defect or problem is cured.

below, for loans that closed before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and are guaranteed by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims it has or may have based on Covered Origination

Conduct that arises under FIRREA, the False Claims Act, or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies

Act to the extent that they are based on any failure by the COMPANY or any current or former F-19

affiliated entity and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, to conform to all VA regulations necessary to maintain the authority of the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity to close VA-guaranteed loans on an automatic basis. Nothing in the foregoing shall be interpreted to release the right of the United States to pursue any civil or administrative claims it has or may have, or to release any civil or administrative remedies or penalties it may seek or impose, against the COMPANY, any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, based on Covered Origination Conduct that violates the laws or regulations applicable to the guaranty of residential mortgage loans by VA with respect to any residential mortgage loan or loans, except if and to the extent such claim, remedy or penalty is based on such entity's failure to provide VA with an accurate general program compliance certification, to implement an effective quality control plan, or to conform to all VA regulations necessary to maintain the authority of the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity to close VA-guaranteed loans on an automatic basis.

(5) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below, for loans that closed before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and are guaranteed by the Department of Agriculture (USDA), the United States fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former F-20

officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claims it has or may have against the COMPANY and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, based on Covered Origination Conduct that arises under FIRREA, the False Claims Act, or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act to the extent that they are based on statements made in the COMPANY's or current or former affiliated entity's application for approved lender status in the Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program. Nothing in the foregoing shall be interpreted to release the right of the United States to pursue any civil or administrative claims it has or may have, or to release any civil or administrative remedies or penalties it may seek or impose, against the COMPANY, any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, based on Covered Origination Conduct that violates the laws or regulations applicable to the guaranty of residential mortgage loans by USDA with respect to any residential mortgage loan or loans, except if and to the extent such claim, remedy or penalty is based on such entity's failure to provide USDA with an accurate general program compliance certification, to implement an effective quality control plan, or on statements made in the COMPANY's or current or former affiliated entity's application for approved lender status in the Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program.

(6) Subject to the exceptions described in this Paragraph 6 and in Paragraph

11 (concerning excluded claims) below, the United States Department of the Treasury

("Treasury") fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity

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(to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, and will refrain from instituting, directing, or maintaining any civil or administrative claims the Treasury has or may have, and from any civil remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose against the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, based on the Covered Servicing Conduct that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012; furthermore, as of February 8, 2012, Treasury is withholding Making Home Affordable servicer incentive payments from the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity, and, upon the immediately succeeding Making Home Affordable Program incentive payment date, Treasury shall release and remit to the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity all outstanding Making Home Affordable Program servicer incentive payments previously withheld by Treasury. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Treasury, in connection with the Making Home Affordable Program, reserves the right to continue to perform compliance reviews on the COMPANY's Making Home Affordable Program activities occurring prior to February 8, 2012, to require non-financial remedies with respect to such activities, and to publicly release servicer assessments with respect thereto. If, as the result of any such compliance review occurring after February 8, 2012, Treasury determines that the COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities have

not adequately corrected identified instances of noncompliance that occurred prior to the date specified in the first sentence of this Paragraph and were communicated to COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities by Treasury in a letter dated March 9, 2012, Treasury reserves the right to adjust any Making Home Affordable Program incentive payments made or owed to the COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities with respect to those identified instances of noncompliance. In addition, with respect to instances of noncompliance that occur after February 8, 2012, Treasury reserves the right to exercise all available remedies, both financial and non-financial, under the Making Home Affordable Program Commitment to Purchase Financial Instrument and Servicer Participation Agreement, as amended, between Treasury and COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities ("the SPA").

below, the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection ("CFPB") fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent such COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, and will refrain from instituting, directing, or maintaining any civil or administrative claims the CFPB has or may have, and from any civil remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose against the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, or current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively,

based on Covered Servicing Conduct or Covered Origination Conduct that has taken place prior to July 21, 2011. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the CFPB reserves the right to obtain information related to conduct that occurred prior to July 21, 2011 under its authority granted by Title X of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

(8) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below, and conditioned upon the full payment of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount, the Federal Trade Commission fully and finally releases the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, from any civil or administrative claim the Federal Trade Commission has or may have, or civil or administrative remedies or penalties (expressly including punitive or exemplary damages) it may seek or impose, based on the Covered Origination Conduct that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012, or based on the Covered Servicing Conduct that has taken place as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012, provided, however, that nothing in this Paragraph or Release shall be interpreted to release any liability to the Federal Trade Commission relating to the Covered Servicing Conduct or Covered Origination Conduct of any affiliated entity that the COMPANY has acquired on or after November 30, 2011, or, notwithstanding Section C.3.i of this Release, any conduct or claims involving the privacy, security, or confidentiality of consumer information.

- (9) Subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 11 (concerning excluded claims) below:
- Upon the Effective Date of the Consent Judgment, the Executive (a) Office for United States Trustees ("EOUST") and the United States Trustees and Acting United States Trustees for Regions 1 through 21 (collectively, with the EOUST, "the United States Trustees") will consent to and agree to take such steps as may be reasonably necessary to fully and finally withdraw or facilitate the dismissal with prejudice of pending objections and other actions by the United States Trustees, including all related discovery requests, whether formal or informal, and requests for examination under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2004 (collectively, "the Discovery Requests") and subpoenas or subpoenas duces tecum (collectively, "the Subpoenas"), directed to or filed against the COMPANY, its affiliates, and employees and officers of the COMPANY and its affiliates, pertaining to the COMPANY's or its affiliates' mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct. The United States Trustees further agree not to take any action to obtain discovery from the COMPANY or any affiliated entity pursuant to any court order granting such Discovery Requests or with respect to enforcing related Subpoenas pending as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012. Upon the Effective Date of the Consent Judgment, the United States Trustees further agree to take such steps as may be reasonably necessary to fully and finally withdraw or facilitate the dismissal with prejudice of Discovery Requests and Subpoenas directed to or filed against any other party where the discovery was sought for the purpose of obtaining relief against the COMPANY, its affiliates, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliates, and pertains to the COMPANY's or its affiliates'

mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct, except that nothing in this Paragraph requires the United States Trustee to withdraw or facilitate the dismissal of Discovery Requests and Subpoenas to the extent that relief against another party, other than the COMPANY, its affiliates, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliates, is the purpose of such discovery.

(b) Upon the Effective Date of the Consent Judgment, the COMPANY and its affiliated entities will consent to and agrees to take such steps as may be reasonably necessary to fully and finally withdraw or facilitate the dismissal with prejudice of pending adversary proceedings, contested matters, appeals, and other actions filed by the COMPANY or its affiliated entities, including all Discovery Requests and Subpoenas directed to or filed against any United States Trustee, relating to objections and other actions by the United States Trustees, including Discovery Requests and Subpoenas, directed to or filed against the COMPANY, its affiliated entities, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliated entities pertaining to the COMPANY's or its affiliated entities' mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct. The COMPANY and its affiliated entities further agree not to take any action to obtain discovery from the United States Trustees pursuant to any court order granting such Discovery Requests or with respect to enforcing related Subpoenas pending as of 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012.

(c) The United States Trustees fully and finally release any claims, and will refrain from instituting, directing or maintaining any action or participating in any action by a third party (except that the United States Trustees may participate in an action to the extent ordered by a court provided that the United States Trustees may not seek such a court order formally or informally), against the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, pertaining to the COMPANY's or its affiliated entities' mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct. The United States Trustees shall refrain from sharing information obtained via the Discovery Requests and Subpoenas outside the federal government (unless required to do so under applicable law or pursuant to a court order) in support of any action, against the COMPANY, or any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, pertaining to the COMPANY's or its affiliated entities' mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct. Except as otherwise provided in the Enforcement Terms in Exhibit E of the Consent Judgment, the United States Trustees further agree to refrain from seeking to invalidate the COMPANY's or its affiliates' lien on residential real property, including in an adversary proceeding pursuant to Fed. R. Bank. P. 7001(2) and 11 U.S.C. § 506, or to impose monetary sanctions or other punitive relief against the COMPANY, and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), and any of their respective successors or assigns, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, pertaining to the COMPANY's or its affiliated entities mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy case after 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012 and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct where the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct occurred before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Paragraph shall be construed to be (1) a waiver of any defenses or claims of the COMPANY, its affiliates, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliates, against any other party, or a dismissal of any pending adversary proceedings, contested matters, appeals, and other actions filed by the COMPANY, its affiliates, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliates, against any other party, wherein the United States Trustee is a party or otherwise involved; (2) a waiver of any defenses or claims of the United States Trustee against any other party, or a dismissal of any pending adversary proceedings, contested matters, appeals, and other actions filed by the United States Trustee against any other party wherein the COMPANY, its affiliates, or employees and officers of the COMPANY or its affiliates, is a party or otherwise involved; or (3) a waiver of, or restriction or prohibition on, the United States Trustees' ability, to the extent permitted by law, informally or formally, in individual bankruptcy cases, to seek a cure of material inaccuracies in the COMPANY's or its affiliates' mortgage-related claims filed in a bankruptcy F-28

case and based on the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct, but not to impose monetary sanctions or other punitive relief against the COMPANY or its affiliates in addition to such cure; provided, however, that this provision shall not constitute a waiver of, or restriction or prohibition on, the COMPANY's or its affiliates' ability to dispute whether the United States Trustees have authority or ability to seek such a cure.

- (10) For the purposes of this Release, the term "affiliated entity" shall mean entities that are directly or indirectly controlled by, or control, or are under common control with, the COMPANY as of or prior to 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on February 8, 2012. The term "control" with respect to an entity means the beneficial ownership (as defined in Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) of 50 percent or more of the voting interest in such entity.
- (11) Notwithstanding any other term of this Release, the following claims of the United States are specifically reserved and are not released:
- (a) Any liability arising under Title 26, United States Code (Internal Revenue Code);
- (b) Any liability of individuals (including current or former directors, officers, and employees of the COMPANY or any affiliated entity) who have received or receive in the future notification that they are the target of a criminal investigation (as defined in the United States Attorneys' Manual); have been or are indicted or charged; or have entered or in the future enter into a plea agreement, based on the Covered Servicing Conduct, the Covered

Origination Conduct, and the Covered Bankruptcy Conduct (collectively, the "Covered Conduct");

- (c) Any criminal liability;
- (d) Any liability to the United States for any conduct other than the Covered Conduct, or any liability for any Covered Conduct that is not expressly released herein;
- (e) Any and all claims whether legal or equitable, in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities or based on the sale, transfer or assignment of any interest in a loan, mortgage, or security to, into, or for the benefit of a mortgage-backed security, trust, special purpose entity, financial institution, investor, or other entity, including but not limited to in the context of a mortgage securitization or whole loan sale to such entities ("Securitization/Investment Claims"). Securitization/Investment Claims include, but are not limited to, claims based on the following, all in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities or in connection with a sale, transfer, or assignment of any interest in loan, mortgage or security to, into, or for the benefit of a mortgage-backed security, trust, special purpose entity, financial institution, investor, or other entity:
 - (i) The United States' capacity as an owner, purchaser, or holder of whole loans, securities, derivatives, or other similar investments, including without limitation, mortgage backed securities, collateralized debt obligations, or structured investment vehicles.

- (ii) The creation, formation, solicitation, marketing, assignment, transfer, valuation, appraisal, underwriting, offer, sale, substitution, of or issuance of any interest in such whole loans, mortgages, securities, derivatives, or other similar investments.
- (iii) Claims that the COMPANY or an affiliated entity made false or misleading statements or omissions, or engaged in other misconduct in connection with the sale, transfer or assignment of any interest in a loan, mortgage, or security or in connection with investors or purchasers in or of such loans, mortgages, or securities, including but not limited to conduct that affected a federally insured financial institution or violated a legal duty to a mortgage-backed security, trust, special purpose entity, financial institution, or investor (including the United States), or governmental agency and/or that subjects the COMPANY or an affiliated entity to a civil penalty or other remedy under 12 U.S.C. § 1833a.
- (iv) Representations, warranties, certifications, statements, or claims made regarding such whole loans, securities, derivatives or other similar investments, including representations, warranties, certifications or claims regarding the eligibility, characteristics, or quality of mortgages or mortgagors;
- (v) Activities related to the executing, notarizing, transferring or recording of mortgages; the endorsement or transfer of a loan; and the obtaining, executing, notarizing, transferring or recording of assignments;

- (vi) Obtaining, securing, updating, transferring, or providing promissory notes or endorsements of promissory notes through allonges or otherwise;
 - (vii) Custodial and trustee functions;
- (viii) Intentional or fraudulent failure to pay investors sums owed with respect to any security, derivatives, or similar investment;
- (ix) Contractual covenants, agreements, obligations and legal duties to a mortgage-backed security, trust, special purpose entity, financial institution, investor, or other entity (including the United States);
- (x) Covered Origination Conduct (except to the extent such conduct is released in Paragraphs 3.b, 4 or 5); and
- (xi) Covered Servicing Conduct to the extent the COMPANY or any affiliated entity engaged in the Covered Servicing Conduct in question not in its capacity as servicer, subservicer or master servicer, but in its capacity as the originator of a mortgage loan or as seller, depositor, guarantor, sponsor, securitization trustee, securities underwriter, document custodian or any other capacity.

The exclusion set forth above in this Paragraph shall not apply to Securitization/Investment Claims based on the following conduct, and such claims are included in what is being released:

Securitization/Investment Claims based on Covered Servicing Conduct by the COMPANY or any current or former affiliated entity where: (1) such conduct was performed by the COMPANY or any affiliated entity in its capacity as the loan servicer, master servicer or subservicer, whether conducted for its own account or pursuant to a third party servicing agreement or similar agreement, and not in its capacity as loan originator, seller, depositor, guarantor, sponsor, securitization trustee, securities underwriter, or any other capacity; and (2) such conduct was not in connection with (x) the creation, formation, solicitation, marketing, sale, assignment, transfer, offer, sale, substitution, underwriting, or issuance of any interest in securities, derivatives or other similar investments or (y) the sale or transfer of mortgage loans. The claims addressed in this sub-paragraph include, without limitation, Securitization and Investment Claims that the party seeking to enforce a mortgage loan against a borrower and homeowner in respect of that borrower's default did not have a documented enforceable interest in the promissory note and mortgage or deed of trust under applicable state law or is otherwise not a proper party to the foreclosure or bankruptcy action or claims based on such party's attempts to obtain such a documented enforceable interest or become such a proper party.

- (f) Any liability arising under Section 8 of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, 12 U.S.C. § 2607, relating to private mortgage insurance, with respect to claims brought by the CFPB;
- (g) Except with respect to claims related to the delivery of initial or annual privacy notices, requirements with respect to the communication of non-public personal information to non-affiliated third parties, or other conduct required by Sections 502 through 509 of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 6802-6809), any claims or conduct involving the obligation of a financial institution under Section 501(b) of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. s. 6801(b)) and its implementing regulations to maintain administrative, technical, and physical information security safeguards;
- (h) Any liability arising under the Fair Housing Act; any provision of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act that is not expressly released in Paragraph 2 of this Release, including any provision prohibiting discriminatory conduct; the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act; or any other statute or law that prohibits discrimination of persons based on race, color, national origin, gender, disability, or any other protected status;
- (i) Administrative claims, proceedings, or actions brought by HUD against any current or former director, officer, or employee for suspension, debarment or exclusion from any HUD program;
 - (i) Any liability arising under the federal environmental laws;

- (k) Any liability to or claims brought by (i) the Federal Housing Finance Agency; (ii) any Government Sponsored Enterprise, including the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (except where the Government Sponsored Enterprise seeks to impose such liability or pursue such claims in its capacity as an administrator of the Making Home Affordable Program of Treasury); (iii) the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (whether in its capacity as a Corporation, Receiver, or Conservator); (iv) the Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae") arising out of COMPANY's contractual obligations related to serving as Master Subservicer on defaulted Ginnie Mae portfolios, including claims for breach of such obligations; (v) the CFPB with respect to claims within its authority as of the designated transfer date of July 21, 2011 that are not expressly released in Paragraph 7; (vi) the National Credit Union Administration, whether in its capacity as a Federal agency, Liquidating Agent, or Conservator; (vii) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (viii) the Federal Reserve Board and its member institutions; (ix) Maiden Lane LLC, Maiden Lane II LLC, Maiden Lane III LLC, entities that are consolidated for accounting purposes on the financial statements of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; (x) the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; (xi) the USDA (except to the extent claims are released in Paragraph 5); (xii) the VA (except to the extent claims are released in Paragraph 4); (xiii) the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and (xvi) the Inspectors General of such entities;
- (l) Any liability to the United States for the following claims alleged against Wells Fargo, Inc., or any of its current or former subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors,

employees or agents, including but not limited to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, or any other entity or person:

- (i) All claims or allegations based on any conduct alleged in United States ex rel. [Under Seal] v. [Under Seal], 2:11-cv-00535-RLH-RJJ (D. Nev.);
- (ii) All claims or allegations based on any conduct alleged in United States ex rel. Szymoniak v. [Under Seal], Civ. No. 0:10-cv-01465 (D.S.C.) or in United States ex rel. Szymoniak v. [Under Seal], Civ. No. 3:10-cv-575 (W.D.N.C.), except any such claims that are encompassed by the releases described in paragraphs 2 to 9, above, and not otherwise reserved from these releases in this agreement;
- (iii) All claims or allegations based on any conduct alleged in United States ex rel. Bibby et al. v. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Inc. et al., C.A. No. 1:06-CV-0547-AT (N.D. Ga.); and
- (iv) All claims or allegations based on any conduct alleged in United States of America ex rel. John Doe and Richard Roe v. Wells Fargo, C.A. No. CV-11-5457 (E.D.N.Y.);
- (m) Any action that may be taken by the appropriate Federal Banking Agency (FBA), as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), against COMPANY, any of its affiliated entities, and/or any institution-affiliated party of COMPANY, as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u),

pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818, and any action by the FBA to enforce the Consent Order issued against the COMPANY by the FBA on April 13, 2011;

- (n) Any liability based upon obligations created by this Consent Judgment;
- (o) The parties agree that notwithstanding any other provision of this Release, the United States retains the right to investigate and sue the COMPANY and any affiliated entity under FIRREA for any conduct, statements or omissions that are:
 - (i) Made or undertaken in connection with either (a) the creation, formation, transfer, sale, conveyance, or securitization of mortgage-backed securities, derivatives, collateralized debt obligations and credit default swaps, or other similar securities or (b) the sale or transfer of mortgage loans;
 - (ii) Made or undertaken by the COMPANY or an affiliated entity in its capacity as loan originator, seller, depositor, guarantor, sponsor, securitization trustee, securities underwriter, or any capacity other than as loan servicer, master servicer or subservicer, in connection with the origination (including Covered Origination Conduct), underwriting, due diligence, quality control, valuation, appraisal, pledging, substitution, recording, assignment, or securitization of mortgages, whole loans, mortgage-backed securities, derivatives, collateralized debt obligations and credit default swaps, or other similar securities

(except to the extent such conduct is released in Paragraphs 2.c, 3.b, 4 or 5 and not excluded from this Release in Subsections (a)-(n) of this Paragraph 11);

- (iii) Made to or directed at federal governmental entities (except to the extent such conduct is released in Paragraphs 2.a, 3.a, 3.b, 4 or 5 and not excluded from this Release in Subsections (a)-(n) of this Paragraph 11); or
- entity to pay investors or trustees any sums received by the COMPANY or affiliated entity and owed to the investors and trustees with respect to any security, derivatives, or similar investment; (B) the failure by the COMPANY or affiliated entity to disclose that it failed to pay investors or trustees any sums received by the COMPANY or affiliated entity and owed to investors or trustees with respect to any security, derivatives, or similar investment; (C) the collection by the COMPANY or affiliated entity of money or other consideration from loan sellers with respect to loans that the COMPANY or an affiliated entity had sold to others or packaged into a security for sale to others; or (D) the failure by the COMPANY or affiliated entity to repurchase loans to the extent that it had a contractual obligation to repurchase.

The COMPANY and its affiliated entities agree that they have not been released from any liability under FIRREA for such conduct or statements. To the extent that this reservation of FIRREA claims is inconsistent with any other provision of this Release, the reservation of FIRREA claims shall control. This reservation of FIRREA Claims shall not be construed to

otherwise limit any other claim that the United States has against the COMPANY or its affiliated entities, to alter the requirements of FIRREA, or to waive any defense available to the COMPANY or its affiliated entities under existing law.

- (12) For avoidance of doubt, this Release shall not preclude a claim by any private individual or entity for harm to that private individual or entity, except for a claim asserted by a private individual or entity under 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b) that is subject to this Release and not excluded by Paragraph 11.
- (13) The COMPANY and its affiliated entities waive and shall not assert any defenses they may have to any criminal prosecution or administrative action based on the Covered Conduct that may be based in whole or in part on a contention that, under the Double Jeopardy Clause in the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution or under the Excessive Fines Clause in the Eighth Amendment of the Constitution, this Release bars a remedy sought in such criminal prosecution or administrative action. Nothing in this Paragraph or any other provision of this Consent Judgment constitutes an agreement by the United States concerning the characterization of the Federal Settlement Amount for purposes of Title 26, United States Code (Internal Revenue Code).
- (14) The COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, or current or former employee of any of the foregoing, but only to the extent that the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity possesses the ability to release claims on behalf of such individuals or entities, fully and finally releases the United States and its employees from any claims based on the Covered Conduct to

the extent, and only to the extent, that such individual or entity is released from claims based on that Covered Conduct under Paragraphs 2 through 9 of this Release and such claim is not excluded under Paragraph 11 of this Release (including, for the avoidance of doubt, claims by the entities listed in Paragraph 11(k)), as well as claims under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412 based on the United States' investigation and prosecution of the foregoing released claims. Nothing herein is intended to release claims for mortgage insurance or mortgage guaranty payments or claims for payment for goods and services, such as incentive payments under HAMP.

(15)

- (a) Unallowable Costs Defined: All costs (as defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulations, 48 C.F.R. § 31.205-47) incurred by or on behalf of the COMPANY and any current or former affiliated entity (to the extent the COMPANY retains liabilities associated with such former affiliated entity), any successor or assign, as well as any current or former director, current or former officer, and current or former employee of any of the foregoing, individually and collectively, in connection with:
 - (1) the matters covered by the Consent Judgment;
 - (2) the United States' audits and civil investigations of the matters covered by the Consent Judgment;
 - (3) the COMPANY's and its affiliated entities' investigation, defense, and corrective actions undertaken in response to F-40

- the United States' audit(s) and civil investigation(s) in connection with the matters covered by the Consent Judgment (including attorney's fees);
- (4) the negotiation and performance of the Consent Judgment; and
- (5) the payments made to the United States or others pursuant to the Consent Judgment,

 are unallowable costs for government contracting purposes

 ("Unallowable Costs").
- (b) Future Treatment of Unallowable Costs: Unallowable Costs will be separately determined and accounted for by the COMPANY and its affiliated entities, and the COMPANY and its affiliated entities shall not charge such Unallowable Costs directly or indirectly to any contract with the United States.
- (c) Treatment of Unallowable Costs Previously Submitted for Payment: Within 90 days of the Effective Date of the Consent Judgment, the COMPANY and its affiliated entities shall identify and repay by adjustment to future claims for payment or otherwise any Unallowable Costs included in payments previously sought by the COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities from the United States. The COMPANY and its affiliated entities agree that the United States, at a minimum, shall be entitled to recoup from any overpayment plus applicable interest and penalties as a result of the inclusion of such Unallowable Costs on previously-

submitted requests for payment. The United States reserves its rights to audit, examine, or reexamine the COMPANY's or affiliated entities' books and records and to disagree with any
calculations submitted by the COMPANY or any of its affiliated entities regarding any
Unallowable Costs included in payments previously sought by the COMPANY or its affiliated
entities, or the effect of any such Unallowable Costs on the amount of such payments.

- truthfully with the United States' investigation of individuals and entities not released in this Release. Upon reasonable notice, the COMPANY shall encourage, and agrees not to impair, the reasonable cooperation of its directors, officers and employees, and shall use its reasonable efforts to make available and encourage the cooperation of former directors, officers, and employees for interviews and testimony, consistent with the rights and privileges of such individuals.
- (17) This Release is intended to be and shall be for the benefit only of the Parties and entities and individuals identified in this Release, and no other party or entity shall have any rights or benefits hereunder.
- (18) Each party shall bear its own legal and other costs incurred in connection with this matter, including the preparation and performance of this Consent Judgment.
- (19) Each party and signatory to this Consent Judgment represents that it freely and voluntarily enters into the Consent Judgment without any degree of duress or compulsion.

- (20) This Release is governed by the laws of the United States. The exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any dispute arising out of matters covered by this Release is the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. For purposes of construing this Release, this Release shall be deemed to have been drafted by all the Parties and shall not, therefore, be construed against any party for that reason in any subsequent dispute.
- (21) The Consent Judgment constitutes the complete agreement between the Parties as to the matters addressed herein. The Consent Judgment may not be amended except by written consent of the Parties.
- (22) The undersigned represent and warrant that they are fully authorized to execute the Consent Judgment on behalf of the Parties indicated below.
- (23) The Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, each of which constitutes an original and all of which constitute one and the same Consent Judgment.
- (24) This Release is binding on, and inures to the benefit of, the COMPANY's and its affiliated entities' successors, heirs, and assigns.
- (25) The Parties may disclose this Release, and information about this Release, to the public at their discretion.
- (26) Facsimiles of signatures shall constitute acceptable, binding signatures for purposes of this Release.

(27) Whenever the words "include," "includes," or "including" are used in this Release, they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."

EXHIBIT G

State Release

I. Covered Conduct

For purposes of this Release, the term "Covered Conduct" means residential mortgage loan servicing, residential foreclosure services, and residential mortgage loan origination services. For purposes of this Release, the term "Bank" means Wells Fargo & Company, as well as its current and former parent corporations or other forms of legal entities, direct and indirect subsidiaries, brother or sister corporations or other forms of legal entities, divisions or affiliates, and the predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of them, as well as the current and former directors, officers, and employees of any of the foregoing. For purposes of this Section I only, the term "Bank" includes agents (including, without limitation, third-party vendors) of the Bank and the Bank is released from liability for the covered conduct acts of its agents (including, without limitation, third-party vendors). This Release does not release the agents (including, without limitation, third-party vendors) themselves for any of their conduct. For purposes of this Release, the term "residential mortgage loans" means loans secured by one- to four-family residential properties, irrespective of usage, whether in the form of a mortgage, deed of trust, or other security interest creating a lien upon such property or any other property described therein that secures the related mortgage note.

For purposes of this Release, the term "residential mortgage loan servicing" means all actions, errors or omissions of the Bank, arising out of or relating to servicing (including subservicing and master servicing) of residential mortgage loans from and after the closing of such loans, whether for the Bank's account or for the account of others, including, but not limited to, the following: (1) Loan modification and other loss mitigation activities, including, without limitation, extensions, forbearances, payment plans, short sales and deeds in lieu of

foreclosure, and evaluation, approval, denial, and implementation of the terms and conditions of any of the foregoing; (2) Communications with borrowers relating to borrower accounts, including, without limitation, account statements and disclosures provided to borrowers; (3) Handling and resolution of inquiries, disputes or complaints by or on behalf of borrowers; (4) Collection activity related to delinquent borrower accounts; (5) Acceptance, rejection, application or posting of payments made by or on behalf of borrowers, including, without limitation, assessment and collection of fees or charges, placement of payments in suspense accounts and credit reporting; (6) Maintenance, placement or payment (or failure to make payment) of any type of insurance or insurance premiums, or claims activity with respect to any such insurance; (7) Payment of taxes, homeowner association dues, or other borrower escrow obligations, and creation and maintenance of escrow accounts; (8) Use, conduct or supervision of vendors, agents and contract employees, whether affiliated or unaffiliated, including, without limitation, subservicers and foreclosure and bankruptcy attorneys, in connection with servicing, loss mitigation, and foreclosure activities; (9) Adequacy of staffing, training, systems, data integrity or security of data that is unrelated to privacy issues, quality control, quality assurance, auditing and processes relating to the servicing of residential mortgage loans, foreclosure, bankruptcy, and property sale and management services; (10) Securing, inspecting, repairing, maintaining, or preserving properties before and after foreclosure or acquisition or transfer of title; (11) Servicing of residential mortgage loans involved in bankruptcy proceedings; (12) Obtaining, executing, notarizing, endorsing, recording, providing, maintaining, registering (including in a registry system), and transferring promissory notes, mortgages, or mortgage assignments or other similar documents, or transferring interests in such documents among and between servicers and owners, and custodial functions or appointment of officers relating to such

documents; (13) Decisions on disposition of residential mortgage loans, including, without limitation, whether to pursue foreclosure on properties, whether to assert or abandon liens and other claims and actions taken in respect thereof, and whether to pursue any particular loan modification or other form of loss mitigation; (14) Servicing of residential mortgage loans of borrowers who are covered by federal or state protections due to military status; (15) Licensing or registration of employees, agents, vendors or contractors, or designation of employees as agents of another entity; (16) Quality control, quality assurance, compliance, audit testing, oversight, reporting, or certification or registration requirements related to the foregoing; and (17) Trustee functions related to the servicing of residential mortgage loans.

For purposes of this Release, the term "residential foreclosure services" means all actions, errors or omissions of the Bank arising out of or relating to foreclosures on residential mortgage loans, whether for the Bank's own account or for the account of others, including, but not limited to, the following: (1) Evaluation of accounts for modification or foreclosure referral; (2) Maintenance, assignment, recovery and preparation of documents that have been filed or otherwise used to initiate or pursue foreclosures, and custodial actions related thereto; (3) Drafting, review, execution and notarization of documents (including, but not limited to, affidavits, notices, certificates, substitutions of trustees, and assignments) prepared or filed in connection with foreclosures or sales of acquired properties, or in connection with remediation of improperly filed documents; (4) Commencement, advancement and finality of foreclosures, including, without limitation, any issues relating to standing, fees, or notices; (5) Acquisition of title post-foreclosure or in lieu of foreclosure; (6) Pursuit of pre- and post-foreclosure claims by the Bank, including, without limitation, the seeking of deficiency judgments when permitted by law, acts or omissions regarding lien releases, and evictions and eviction proceedings; (7)

Management, maintenance, and disposition of properties in default or properties owned or controlled by the Bank, whether prior to or during the foreclosure process or after foreclosure, and executing, notarizing, or recording any documents related to the sale of acquired properties; and (8) Trustee functions related to the foreclosure of residential mortgage loans.

For purposes of this Release, the term "residential mortgage loan origination services" means all actions, errors or omissions of the Bank arising out of or relating to the origination of, or the assistance in the origination of, residential mortgage loans, or the purchasing of residential mortgage whole loans, including, but not limited to, the following: (1) Advertising, solicitation, disclosure, processing, review, underwriting, closing and funding of borrower residential mortgage loans or lending services, including, without limitation, the charges, terms, pricing, and conditions of such loans or lending services; (2) Approving or denying loan applications; (3) Recommendation, offering or provision of loan products, including, without limitation, whether such products' features or terms and conditions were appropriate for a particular borrower; (4) Valuation of the properties used as collateral for such loans, including, without limitation, use of employees, independent and vendor management appraisers, and alternative valuation methods such as AVMs and BPOs; (5) Use, referral, conduct or supervision of, or payment of fees or other forms of consideration to, vendors, agents or contract employees, whether affiliated or unaffiliated, and whether retained by the Bank, borrower or otherwise, including, without limitation, closing agents, appraisers, real estate agents, mortgage brokers, and providers of real estate settlement services; (6) Drafting and execution of residential mortgage loan documents and disclosures and the provision of such disclosures; (7) Obtaining or recording of collateral documents relating to the origination of residential mortgage loans, including, without limitation, use of trustees or designees on mortgages or deeds of trust; (8) Licensing and registration of

employees in connection with origination of residential mortgage loans; (9) Quality control, quality assurance, or compliance audit testing, or oversight related to the origination of residential mortgage loans; and (10) Communications with borrowers related to the origination of residential mortgage loans.

II. Release of Covered Conduct

By their execution of this Consent Judgment, the Attorneys General and state mortgage regulators ("Regulators") that are parties to this Consent Judgment release and forever discharge the Bank from the following: any civil or administrative claim, of any kind whatsoever, direct or indirect, that an Attorney General or Regulator, respectively, has or may have or assert, including, without limitation, claims for damages, fines, injunctive relief, remedies, sanctions, or penalties of any kind whatsoever based on, arising out of, or resulting from the Covered Conduct on or before the Effective Date, or any examination (or penalties arising from such an examination) relating to the Covered Conduct on or before the Effective Date, except for claims and the other actions set forth in Section IV, below (collectively, the "Released Claims").

This Release does not release any claims against any entity other than the Bank as defined in Section I above.

III. Covenants by the Bank

1. The Bank waives and shall not assert any defenses the Bank may have to any criminal prosecution based on the Covered Conduct that may be based in whole or in part on a contention that, under the Double Jeopardy Clause in the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution or under the Excessive Fines Clause in the Eighth Amendment of the Constitution, this Release bars a remedy sought in such criminal prosecution.

2. The Bank agrees to cooperate with an Attorney General's criminal investigation of individuals and entities not released in this Release. For purposes of this covenant, cooperation shall not include any requirement that the Bank waive the attorney-client privilege or any other applicable privileges or protection, included but not limited to the attorney work product doctrine. Upon reasonable notice, the Bank agrees not to impair the reasonable cooperation of its directors, officers and employees, and shall use its reasonable efforts to make available and encourage the cooperation of former directors, officers, and employees for interviews and testimony, consistent with the rights and privileges of such individuals.

IV. Claims and Other Actions Exempted from Release

Notwithstanding the foregoing and any other term of this Consent Judgment, the following claims are hereby not released and are specifically reserved:

- 1. Securities and securitization claims based on the offer, sale, or purchase of securities, or other conduct in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities, regardless of the factual basis of the claim, including such claims of the state or state entities as an owner, purchaser, or holder of whole loans, securities, derivatives or similar investments, including, without limitation, mortgage backed securities, collateralized debt obligations or structured investment vehicles, and including, but not limited to, such claims based on the following:
 - (a) the creation, formation, solicitation, marketing, assignment, transfer, offer, sale or substitution of securities, derivatives, or other similar investments, including, without limitation, mortgage backed securities, collateralized debt obligations, collateralized loan obligations, or structured investment vehicles;

- (b) representations, warranties, certifications, or claims made regarding such securities or investments, such as representations, warranties, certifications or claims regarding origination, funding, and underwriting activities, and including the eligibility, characteristics, or quality of the mortgages or the mortgagors;
- (c) the transfer, sale, conveyance, or assignment of mortgage loans to, and the purchase and acquisition of such mortgage loans by, the entity creating, forming and issuing the securities, derivatives or other similar investments relating to such mortgage loans:
- (d) all servicing-, foreclosure-, and origination-related conduct, but solely to the extent that such claims are based on the offer, sale, or purchase of securities, or other conduct in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities; and
- (e) all Covered Conduct, but solely to the extent that such claims are based on the offer, sale, or purchase of securities, or other conduct in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities.

For avoidance of doubt, securities and securitization claims based on the offer, sale, or purchase of securities, or other conduct in connection with investors or purchasers in or of securities, that are based on any source of law, including, but not limited to, false claims acts or equivalent laws, securities laws, and common law breach of fiduciary duty, are not released.

2. Claims against a trustee or custodian or an agent thereof based on or arising out of the conduct of the trustee, custodian or such agent related to the pooling of residential mortgage loans in trusts, mortgage backed securities, collateralized debt obligations, collateralized loan obligations, or structured investment vehicles, including, but not limited to, the performance of trustee or custodial functions in such conduct.

- 3. Liability based on the Bank's obligations created by this Consent Judgment.
- 4. Obligations relating to assurances of voluntary compliance entered into between various states and Wells Fargo, N.A. in 2010, 2011, and 2012 relating to pay option ARMs.
- 5. Claims raised by the Illinois Attorney General in *Illinois v. Wells Fargo & Co., et al.*, 2009-CH-26434.
- 6. Claims raised in *State of Connecticut v. Acordia, Inc.*, X10-UNYCV-0704020455-S (currently pending before the Connecticut Supreme Court).
- 7. Claims raised in *State ex rel. Darrell V. McGraw, Jr. v. Acordia of West Virginia, Inc., et al.* (civil action no. 05-C-115W circuit court of Hancock County).
- 8. Claims raised in *State of New York v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, et al.*, Index No. 2768/2012 (N.Y. Sup. Ct.), and any similar claims relating to the same types of acts, practices, or conduct set forth in that lawsuit that may be asserted in the future by the Office of the New York State Attorney General against Citigroup, Inc., Citibank, N.A., CitiMortgage, Inc., Ally Financial, Inc., GMAC Mortgage LLC, Residential Capital, LLC, or their parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates.
- 9. Claims and remedies raised in *State of Delaware v. MERSCORP, Inc. et al.* (CANO-6987-CS), currently pending in the Court of Chancery for the State of Delaware, and any similar claims relating to the same types of acts, practices, or conduct set forth in that lawsuit in connection with mortgages registered in the MERS system and loans secured by such mortgages that may be asserted in the future by the Delaware Department of Justice against Bank of America, N.A., BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Chase Home Finance LLC, EMC Mortgage Corporation, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Citigroup, Inc.,

- Citibank, N.A., CitiMortgage, Inc., Ally Financial, Inc., GMAC Mortgage LLC, Residential Capital, LLC, or their parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates.
- 10. Claims raised in *Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. Bank of America, N.A., et al.* (Civ. A. No. 11-4363), currently pending in the Superior Court of Massachusetts, Suffolk County.
- 11. Claims of any kind that the State of Utah has or may have against any person or entity not released under this Consent Judgment, or any right that State of Utah has or may have to take law enforcement action of any kind against any person or entity not released under this Consent Judgment, including any person or entity who is or may be a co-obligor with a person or entity that is released under this Consent Judgment, all of which claims, rights and actions are expressly reserved by the State of Utah.
- 12. Claims against Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. or MERSCORP, INC.
- 13. Claims arising out of alleged violations of fair lending laws that relate to discriminatory conduct in lending.
- 14. Claims of state, county and local pension or other governmental funds as investors (whether those claims would be brought directly by those pension or other governmental funds or by the Office of the Attorney General as attorneys representing the pension or other governmental funds).
- 15. Tax claims, including, but not limited to, claims relating to real estate transfer taxes.
- 16. Claims of county and local governments and claims of state regulatory agencies having specific regulatory jurisdiction that is separate and independent from the regulatory and

enforcement jurisdiction of the Attorney General, but not including claims of Regulators that are released herein.

- 17. Criminal enforcement of state criminal laws.
- 18. Claims of county recorders, city recorders, town recorders or other local government officers or agencies (or, for Hawaii only, where a statewide recording system is applicable and operated by the state, claims by Hawaii; and for Maryland, where the recording system is the joint responsibility of the counties or Baltimore City and the state, claims of the counties or Baltimore City and the state), for fees relating to the recordation or registration process of mortgages or deeds of trust, including assignments, transfers, and conveyances, regardless of whether those claims would be brought directly by such local government officers or agencies or through the Office of the Attorney General as attorneys representing such local government officers or agencies.
- 19. Claims and defenses asserted by third parties, including individual mortgage loan borrowers on an individual or class basis.
- 20. Claims seeking injunctive or declaratory relief to clear a cloud on title where the Covered Conduct has resulted in a cloud on title to real property under state law; provided, however, that neither the Attorneys General nor Regulators shall otherwise take actions seeking to invalidate past mortgage assignments or foreclosures in connection with loans serviced and/or owned by the Bank. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this paragraph 20 releases, waives or bars any legal or factual argument related to the validity of past mortgage assignments or foreclosures that could be made in support of claims not released herein, including, without limitation, all claims preserved under paragraphs 1 through 23 of Section IV of this Release.

- 21. Disciplinary proceedings brought by a Regulator against individual employees with respect to mortgage loan origination conduct for misconduct or violations under state law.
- 22. Authority to resolve consumer complaints brought to the attention of the Bank for resolution outside of the monitoring process, as described in Section H of the Enforcement Terms (Exhibit E).
 - 23. Claims against Bank for reimbursement to mortgage borrowers:
 - (a) That represent: (i) a fee imposed upon and collected from a mortgage borrower by Bank and retained by Bank which fee is later determined to have been specifically prohibited by applicable state law (an "Unauthorized Fee"), provided that such determination of impermissibility is not predicated, directly or indirectly, on a finding of a violation of any federal law, rule, regulation, agency directive or similar requirement; and (ii) an actual overpayment by a borrower resulting from a clear and demonstrable error in calculation of amounts due from said borrower; and
 - (b) That are subject to the following: (i) are identified in the course of a mandatory state regulatory compliance examination commenced after the Effective Date by the Iowa Division of Banking, Nevada Division of Mortgage Lending, New Hampshire Banking Department, Ohio Division of Financial Institutions, or Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation, which examination period is specifically limited to Bank's Covered Conduct beginning on January 1, 2011 and ending on January 1, 2012; or (ii) are part of a state regulatory compliance examination that was open or in process as of the Effective Date; and

(c) That are not duplicative of any prior voluntary or involuntary payment to the affected loan borrower by Bank, whether directly or indirectly, from any State Payment or other source.

EXHIBIT H

USDOJ Servicemembers Civil Relief Act Settlement Provisions: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo & Company

In exchange for a full release of the United States' potential civil claims under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act ("SCRA"), 50 U.S.C. app. § 501, *et seq.*, arising prior to the date of this agreement against Servicer² with respect to the servicing of residential mortgages, under the provisions of the SCRA related to (a) mortgage foreclosure and (b) the prohibition against charging more than 6% interest on SCRA-covered mortgaged debt after a valid request by a servicemember to lower the interest rate and receipt of orders, Servicer agrees to the provisions set forth below.

- I. Servicer shall comply with all the "Protections for Military Personnel" provisions in the Settlement Agreement ("Article V"). In addition, Servicer shall undertake additional remedial action and agree to the policy changes set forth below.
- II. Compensation for Servicemembers and Co-Borrowers
 - a. Violations of Sections 533 and 521 of the SCRA related to completed foreclosures on active duty servicemembers: Servicer will engage an independent consultant whose duties shall include a review of all completed foreclosures from January 1, 2006 to the present to evaluate whether the completed foreclosures were in compliance with Sections 533 and 521 of the SCRA. Servicer shall

¹ The following claims are specifically reserved and not released: Any action that may be taken by the appropriate Federal Banking Agency (FBA), as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), against Servicer, any of its affiliated entities, and/or any institution-affiliated party of Servicer, as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u), pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818, and any action by the FBA to enforce the Consent Order issued against Servicer by the FBA on April 13, 2011.

² For purposes of the agreement in this exhibit, "Servicer" shall mean Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo & Company, and their successors and assignees in the event of a sale of all or substantially all of the mortgage servicing related assets of (1) Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. or Wells Fargo & Company, or (2) any of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. or Wells Fargo & Company's division(s) or major business unit(s) that are engaged in servicing residential mortgages.

propose an independent consultant and submit the independent consultant's proposed methodology to DOJ for approval within 30 days after the entry of this agreement. The independent consultant shall begin its review within 30 days after receiving the above-referenced approvals by DOJ. The independent consultant shall submit the results of its review to DOJ within 150 days after it receives the data necessary for its analysis from the Department of Defense's Defense Manpower Data Center ("DMDC") providing relevant periods of military service of borrowers for completed foreclosures from January 1, 2006 to present. Based on the information gathered by the independent consultant, information submitted by Servicer, and DOJ's independent investigation, DOJ shall make the determination reasonably based on the information it has received and its investigative conclusions whether or not a completed foreclosure was in compliance with the SCRA. In the event Servicer disagrees with the DOJ's determination, Servicer shall be afforded 30 days to produce evidence of compliance, which DOJ shall consider in good faith. Where DOJ determines that a foreclosure was not in compliance with the SCRA, Servicer shall compensate the borrowers (i.e., any individual(s) who signed the note with respect to a foreclosed property) by providing:

(1) an amount of \$116,785.00 to the servicemember-borrower or an amount consistent with what was provided under the OCC Consent Order Independent Review Process for similar violations of Sections 533 or 521 of the SCRA, whichever is higher;

- (2) any lost equity in the foreclosed property, as calculated by: subtracting:
 - (a) any outstanding principal, interest, and other amounts owing by the borrowers (excluding any fees associated with foreclosure) plus any junior liens at the time of foreclosure and any disbursements made to the servicemember or a third party other than a junior lien holder from the proceeds of the foreclosure sale (exclusive of any fees associated with the foreclosure) from

(b) Either:

- a contemporaneous appraisal reflecting the value of the home at the time of foreclosure;
- ii. a BPO or other desktop determination of property valuation that results in property valuations reasonably consistent³
 with those contained in contemporaneous appraisals; or
- iii. a retroactive appraisal reflecting the value of the home at the time of foreclosure; and
- (3) interest accrued on this lost equity, calculated from the date of the foreclosure sale until the date payment is issued, at the rate set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1961.⁴

While the amount described in subsection (1) shall be paid entirely to the servicemember-borrower on the note securing the mortgage, the amounts

³ Before Servicer may rely on a BPO or desktop determination for purposes of this subsection, Servicer must first obtain DOJ approval that the methodology for the BPO or desktop determination results in property valuations reasonably consistent with a contemporaneous appraisal. DOJ shall not unreasonably withhold such approval.

⁴ The independent consultant shall calculate the lost equity and interest described herein as part of its review.

described in subsections (2) and (3) shall be distributed among all owners (including non-servicemember owners) on the deed.⁵ In cases where Servicer has already taken remedial actions with respect to a foreclosure which DOJ determines did not comply with Sections 533 or 521 of the SCRA, DOJ shall consider such remedial actions and adjust the compensation to be awarded to the subject borrower or mortgagor.⁶ DOJ will submit lists or electronic links to, the Servicer identifying servicemembers or co-borrowers to be compensated, and Servicer must notify each identified servicemember or co-borrower (using best efforts to locate each person) by letter (using Exhibit 1 or a modified version mutually agreeable to Servicer and DOJ) within 45 days of receiving this list. Any letters returned with forwarding addresses must be promptly mailed to the forwarding address. Servicer shall issue and mail compensation checks no later than 21 days after receipt of a signed release from the servicemember or coborrower aggrieved person. Every 6 months for a period of two years following entry of this agreement, Servicer shall provide the DOJ with an accounting of all releases received, checks issued (including copies of issued checks), credit entries

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⁵ If information is available regarding percentages of ownership interest in the subject property, the amounts described in subsections (2) and (3) will be distributed in amounts proportionate to the ownership interests. Otherwise, amounts described in subsections (2) and (3) will be distributed equally among owners.

⁶ In determining the amount of compensation due to any servicemember or co-borrower pursuant to Subsection II.a, DOJ will credit any monetary compensation or other remediation efforts, including returning the home to the borrower, already provided to any servicemember or co-borrower for alleged compliance issues pursuant to Sections 533 or 521 of the SCRA and arising from the same mortgage. In the event that a servicemember located through the OCC Independent Consultant review process elects to receive the return of his or her home in lieu of a flat fee damages payment pursuant to the OCC Consent Order remediation plan (which payment shall not be less than the amount provided in Section II.a.(1))for violations of Sections 533 or 521 of the SCRA and arising from the same mortgage, the servicemember shall be compensated pursuant to the terms of the OCC Consent Order remediation plan rather than Section II.a of this agreement.

- repaired, and notifications without responses or that were returned as undeliverable.
- b. Violations of Section 527 of the SCRA related to failing to limit interest rates to 6% on SCRA-covered mortgage debt: Servicer will engage an independent consultant whose duties shall include a review of either all or a sample of mortgage loans where a borrower on the note securing the mortgage submitted a request either orally or in writing for protection under Section 527 of the SCRA from January 1, 2008 – present to evaluate whether the Servicer complied with Section 527 of the SCRA. The DOJ shall determine whether a sample or a comprehensive review, or some combination thereof, would be more appropriate to locate potential violations by the Servicer. The consultant's methodology must be submitted to DOJ for approval within 60 days after entry of this agreement. DOJ's approval of the methodology will be based on, among other things, DOJ's evaluation of the Servicer's SCRA policies in and around the time period in question, Servicer's search capabilities for determining which individuals requested, either orally or in writing, interest rate protections based on their military status, the servicing platform, and the number of individuals who requested such protection. The consultant shall submit the results of its review within 180 days after DOJ's approval of the methodology. Based on the information gathered by the consultant, information submitted by the Servicer, and DOJ's independent investigation, DOJ shall make the determination, reasonably based on the information it has received and its investigative conclusions, whether or not potential violations of Section 527 occurred. In the

event Servicer disagrees with the DOJ's determination, Servicer shall be afforded 30 days to produce evidence of compliance, which DOJ shall consider in good faith. Where DOJ determines that a mortgage loan was not serviced in compliance with Section 527, Servicer shall: (1) refund (with interest, as calculated pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961) all interest and fees charged above 6%; and (2) provide an additional payment of \$500 or triple the amount of the refund referenced in subsection (1), whichever amount is larger. The compensation described in subsection (1) shall be distributed equally among all borrowers (including non-servicemember borrowers) on the note secured by the mortgage. The compensation described in subsection (2) shall be paid entirely to the servicemember. In cases where Servicer has already taken remedial actions with respect to a mortgage which DOJ determines did not comply with Section 527 of the SCRA, DOJ shall consider such remedial actions and adjust the compensation to be awarded to the subject servicemember, borrower, or mortgagor. DOJ will submit lists or electronic links to the Servicer of identified servicemembers or coborrowers to be compensated, and Servicer must notify each identified servicemember or co-borrower (using best efforts to locate each person) by letter (using Exhibit 2 or a modified version mutually agreeable to Servicer and DOJ) within 60 days of receiving this list of servicemembers or co-borrowers to be compensated. Any letters returned with forwarding addresses must be promptly

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⁷ The independent consultant shall calculate the amounts described herein as part of its review.

⁸ In determining whether any compensation is due to any servicemember or co-borrower pursuant to Subsection II.b, and, if so, ,the amount DOJ will consider the timing of any remedial actions and will credit any monetary compensation already provided to any servicemember or co-borrower for alleged compliance issues pursuant to Section 527 of the SCRA and arising from the same mortgage, and/or provided under the OCC Consent Order Independent Consultant review process for violations of Section 527 of the SCRA and arising from the same mortgage.

mailed to the forwarding address. Servicer shall issue and mail compensation checks no later than 21 days of receipt of a signed release from the servicemember or co-borrower aggrieved person. Every 6 months for a period of two years following entry of this agreement, Servicer shall provide the DOJ with an accounting of all releases received, checks issued (including copies of issued checks), credit entries repaired, and notifications without responses or that were returned as undeliverable.

- c. Concurrent with providing financial compensation to the servicemember-borrower, Servicer must request that all three major credit bureaus remove negative entries for the servicemember(s) and any co-borrower(s) attributable specifically to the wrongful foreclosure or interest overcharges and Servicer shall not pursue, and must indemnify the servicemember and his or her co-borrower(s) against any third-party pursuing, any deficiency that was remaining on the servicemember's SCRA-protected mortgage or junior lien after a foreclosure was completed in violation of the SCRA.
- d. Servicer shall have 10 days after DOJ's final determination that a foreclosure was not in compliance with the SCRA or a mortgage loan was not serviced in compliance with Section 527, to seek judicial review on the ground that DOJ made a clearly erroneous factual determination.

III. SCRA Compliance Policies

 a. Servicer shall submit SCRA mortgage foreclosure-related policies to DOJ for review and approval. If the Servicer decides to make a material modification to these policies, Servicer will provide the modified policies for review and approval. DOJ will advise Servicer of the results of DOJ's review within 60 days of receipt of a complete submission of all SCRA mortgage foreclosure-related policies and any subsequent material modifications. In addition to the areas covered under the "Protection of Military Personnel" provisions in the attached document, these policies must address:

- i. Prior to referring a loan to foreclosure, the Servicer shall review any orders it has received from borrowers⁹ and check borrowers' names and social security numbers against the DMDC website as provided in the "Protections of Military Personnel" provisions in the Settlement Agreement.
- ii. If Servicer pursues a foreclosure action in court and the borrower fails to answer the action, Servicer and/or its agent will file a military affidavit with the court as required by Section 521(b)(1)(A). After the borrower fails to answer and prior to seeking entry of default, Servicer and/or its agent will query the DMDC and review information in its possession or control for orders to determine if the borrower is on active duty. If Servicer and/or its agent learns that the borrower is on active duty or was on active duty at the time of his or her failure to answer Servicer and/or its agent will file an affidavit stating that "the defendant is in military service" or "was in military service at the time of his or her failure to answer" prior

⁹ For the purposes of locating orders to be reviewed pursuant to Sections III.a.i and III.a.ii of this agreement, it shall be sufficient for the Servicer to flag or code accounts upon receipt of orders and rely on that system.

- to seeking default judgment and attaching the most recent certificate of service from the DMDC or a copy of the military orders.
- iii. If Servicer initiates and pursues a waiver under a written agreement as provided in Section 517 of the SCRA, Servicer must initiate the waiver process with the servicemember at least 30 days in advance of any anticipated foreclosure sale date by sending a notice and a copy of the proposed waiver to the servicemember. To the extent Servicer exercises this right, Servicer shall utilize a notice and proposed waiver in the form attached as Exhibit 3. This provision may be modified based on changes in servicing requirements from government-sponsored entities or the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- b. Servicer shall submit SCRA mortgage loan interest rate-related policies to DOJ for review and approval. If the Servicer decides to make a material modification to these policies, Servicer will provide the modified policies for review and approval. DOJ will advise Servicer of the results of DOJ's review within 60 days of receipt of a complete submission of all SCRA mortgage loan interest rate-related policies and any subsequent material modifications. In addition to the areas covered under Article V of the Settlement Agreement, these policies must address:
 - i. Servicer shall accept servicemembers' requests for reduced mortgage interest rates pursuant to the SCRA via electronic mail, facsimile, U.S.

- Mail, Federal Express or other overnight/express delivery to facsimile numbers and addresses designated by the Servicer. Within six months after entry of this agreement, Servicer shall also accept servicemembers' requests for reduced mortgage interest rates pursuant to the SCRA via inperson delivery at the Servicer's full-service branch locations, should the Servicer maintain branch locations.
- ii. When a servicemember requests interest rate relief under the SCRA, Servicer shall accept orders as defined in the Settlement Agreement or any other document that the DOD shall deem sufficient as a substitute for official orders.
- iii. Servicer shall seek only orders identifying the beginning date of the applicable period of military service from the requesting servicemember and may not condition providing SCRA benefits on the servicemember submitting orders that include an end date.
- iv. Before concluding that the SCRA permits raising the interest rate on the servicemember's loan higher than six percent, the Servicer shall access the DMDC website to determine the dates, where available, of active duty military service of those servicemembers who request reduced interest rates pursuant to the SCRA. If DMDC indicates that the individual is still on active duty, the Servicer must continue to limit the charges pursuant to Section 527 of the SCRA.

- v. For those servicemembers who request a reduced interest rate pursuant to the SCRA, but are determined not to be eligible for the reduced rate, Servicer shall notify the servicemembers in writing of the reasons for the denial and that they may provide additional documentation or information to establish eligibility for the reduced interest rate.
- c. In the event that DOJ requires a change or modification pursuant to this agreement that is in conflict with a policy required by the appropriate Federal Banking Agency (FBA), as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), under the Consent Order issued against the Servicer by the FBA on April 13, 2011, and the FBA will not consent to the change, DOJ shall meet and confer with the FBA to resolve the conflict. Nothing in this agreement prevents DOJ from requiring Servicer to adopt policies that provide additional protections beyond the policies required by the FBA.

IV. Training and Monitoring Program

training on the SCRA and this settlement to DOJ for approval. After receiving DOJ's approval, Servicer shall provide and require training on the SCRA and this settlement for employees (including management officials): (1) providing customer service to servicemembers, (2) involved in mortgage servicing, including adjusting interest rates for mortgage loans, or (3) with significant involvement in the foreclosure process, within 60 days of DOJ's approval (if already employed in such a position), or within 30 days of his or her hiring,

promotion, or transfer. Servicer shall also obtain confirmation from third-party vendors, law firms, and/or trustee companies involved in conducting foreclosures that their employees who are involved in the foreclosure process have been trained on their obligations to comply with this settlement and the SCRA.

b. Servicer shall implement a monitoring program approved by DOJ designed to ensure compliance with this settlement and the SCRA. At a minimum, monitoring will include a quarterly report to be submitted to DOJ¹⁰ within 60 days after the end of each quarter containing an analysis of a sample of foreclosures and a sample of mortgages where a borrower or mortgagor submitted orders seeking protection under Section 527 of the SCRA to determine compliance with the SCRA and this settlement. If Servicer learns that despite the policies required by Section III a violation of Section 521, 527 or 533 has occurred, Servicer will take corrective action as set forth in Section II of this agreement.

V. Term of Agreement

This agreement shall retain full force and effect for three and one-half years from the date it is entered (the "Term"). Servicer's obligation pursuant to Section III to submit quarterly reports and DOJ's review of the same shall continue for the six months following the Term, after which time Servicer shall have no further obligations under this agreement.

All materials required by this Order to be sent to the Department of Justice shall be sent by commercial overnight delivery service addressed as follows: Chief, Housing and Civil Enforcement Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 1800 G Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20006, Attn: DJ 216-16-4...

EXHIBIT H - 1

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 533 SERVICEMEMBER]

Name of Servicemember 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

Dear [Servicemember]:

We write to inform you that ______ (the Bank'), entered into a settlement on _____, with the United States Department of Justice regarding alleged violations of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act ('SCRA'). This settlement resolves the Department of Justice's allegations that the Bank foreclosed on properties without approval by a court when the SCRA required that the foreclosures be approved by a court.

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. Please read and carefully review the declaration attached to this letter. If it is accurate, please sign and return to us the release and declaration attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope. After we receive these documents, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount includes any equity remaining in your home at the time of the foreclosure and monetary damages. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report resulting from the foreclosure. This release and declaration must be returned by _______.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the declaration, release or settlement or if anyone seeks to collect a debt arising from your mortgage, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

We deeply appreciate your service to our country. We are committed to serving the financial needs of our customers who serve in the military, and we regret any error that may have occurred on your account.

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Sincerely,
[Name] [Title]

Enclosures: Release and Declaration

In consideration for the parties a	agreement to the terms of the Consent Order entered	
in	, and the Defendant's payment to me of	
\$, pursuant to the Con	, pursuant to the Consent Order, I hereby release and forever discharge all	
claims, arising prior to the entrance of t	his Order, related to the facts at issue in the litigation	
referenced above and related to the alle	ged violations of Section 533 of the Servicemembers	
Civil Relief Act, that I may have agains	st the Defendant, all related entities, parents, predecessors,	
successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates,	and all of its past and present directors, officers, agents,	
managers, supervisors, shareholders and	d employees and their heirs, executors, administrators,	
successors or assigns.		
Executed this day of	, 20	
	Signature	
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	Print Name	
	Address	

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 533 CO-BORROWER]

Name of Co-borrower 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

Dear [Co-borrower]:

We write to inform you that ______ (the Bank'), entered into a settlement on _____, with the Department of Justice regarding alleged violations of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act ('SCRA'). This settlement resolves the Department of Justice's allegations that the Bank foreclosed on properties without approval by a court when the SCRA required that the foreclosures be approved by a court.

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. If you sign and return to us the release attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope and your co-borrower signs and returns the declaration and release that will be sent separately to your co-borrower, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount represents your portion of any equity remaining in your home at the time of the foreclosure. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report attributable to the foreclosure.

To receive this payment, you must return the attached release within six months of the date of receipt of this letter. The release, if signed, releases any claim to lost equity that you may have under Section 533 of the SCRA; however, it does not release any other claim you may have under the SCRA, including Section 533, or other laws.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the release or settlement or if anyone seeks to collect a debt arising from your mortgage, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

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We are committed to serving the	financial needs of our customers who serve in the
military, and we regret any error that may	y have occurred on your account.

Sincerely,

[Name] [Title]

Enclosure: Release

In consideration for the parties agre	eement to the terms of the Consent Order entered	
in	, and the Defendant's payment to me of	
\$, pursuant to the Conser	nt Order, I hereby release and forever discharge any	
claim under Section 533 of the Servicemen	mbers Civil Relief Act for lost equity in the property	
related to the litigation referenced above a	nd arising prior to the entrance of this Order, that I	
may have against the Defendant, all related	d entities, parents, predecessors, successors,	
subsidiaries, and affiliates, and all of its pa	ast and present directors, officers, agents, managers,	
supervisors, shareholders and employees a	nd their heirs, executors, administrators, successors or	
assigns.		
Executed this day of	, 20	
•		
	Signature	
	-	
	Print Name	
	Address	

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 521 SERVICEMEMBER]

Name of Servicemember 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Dear [Servicemember]:

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

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We write to inform you that	(the Bank'), entered into a settlement on
, with the United States Dep	partment of Justice regarding alleged violations of
the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA')	. This settlement resolves the Department of
Justice's allegations that the Bank foreclosed o	n servicemembers through default court
proceedings without filing accurate affidavits	notifying the court of the servicemembers' military
statuses.	

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. Please read and carefully review the declaration attached to this letter. If it is accurate, please sign and return to us the release and declaration attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope. After we receive these documents, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount includes your portion of any equity remaining in your home at the time of the foreclosure and monetary damages. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report resulting from the foreclosure. This release and declaration must be returned by _______.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the declaration, release or settlement or if anyone seeks to collect a debt arising from your mortgage, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

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We deeply	y appreciate your service to our country	y. We are committed to serving the
financial needs of	our customers who serve in the militar	ry, and we regret any error that may have
occurred on your	account.	

Sincerely,

[Name] [Title]

Enclosures: Release and Declaration

In consideration for the parties	s agreement to the terms of the Consent Order entered	
in	, and the Defendant's payment to me of	
	onsent Order, I hereby release and forever discharge all	
claims, arising prior to the entrance of	this Order, related to the facts at issue in the litigation	
referenced above and related to the all	leged violations of Section 521 of the Servicemembers	
successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates	nst the Defendant, all related entities, parents, predecessors, , and all of its past and present directors, officers, agents, nd employees and their heirs, executors, administrators,	
successors or assigns.		
Executed this day of	, 20	
	C: an atoms	
	Signature	
	Print Name	
	1 mit rame	
	Address	
	11001000	

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 521 CO-BORROWER]

Name of Co-borrower 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Dear [Co-borrower]:

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

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We write to inform you that	(the Bank'), entered into a settlement on
, with the United States I	Department of Justice regarding alleged violations of
the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCR.	A'). This settlement resolves the Department of
Justice's allegations that the Bank foreclosed	d on servicemembers through default court
proceedings without filing accurate affidavi	its notifying the court of the servicemembers' military
statuses.	

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. If you sign and return to us the release attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope and your co-borrower signs and returns the declaration and release that will be sent separately to your co-borrower, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount represents your portion of any equity remaining in your home at the time of the foreclosure. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report attributable to the foreclosure.

To receive this payment, you must return the attached release within six months of the date of receipt of this letter. The release, if signed, releases any claim to lost equity that you may have under Section 521 of the SCRA; however, it does not release any other claim you may have under the SCRA, including Section 521, or other laws.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the release or settlement or if anyone seeks to collect a debt arising from your mortgage, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

We are committed to serving	the financial needs of	our customers who serve in the
military, and we regret any error that	may have occurred on	your account.

Sincerely,

[Name] [Title]

Enclosure: Release

In consideration for the parties agre	eement to the terms of the Consent Order entered	
	, and the Defendant's payment to me of	
\$, pursuant to the Conser	nt Order, I hereby release and forever discharge any	
claim under Section 521 of the Servicemen	mbers Civil Relief Act for lost equity in the property	
related to the litigation referenced above a	nd arising prior to the entrance of this Order, that I	
may have against the Defendant, all related	d entities, parents, predecessors, successors,	
subsidiaries, and affiliates, and all of its pa	ast and present directors, officers, agents, managers,	
supervisors, shareholders and employees a	and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors or	
assigns.		
Executed this day of	, 20	
	Signature	
	Print Name	
	Address	

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EXHIBIT H - 2

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 527 SERVICEMEMBER]

Name of Servicemember 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

We write to inform you that _______ (the Bank'), entered into a settlement on ______, with the United States Department of Justice regarding alleged violations of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA'). This settlement resolves the Department of Justice's allegations that the Bank charged servicemembers interest higher than six percent on mortgage loans that the servicemembers originated prior to entering active duty, despite receiving requests for interest rate relief and orders.

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. Please read and carefully review the declaration attached to this letter. If it is accurate, please sign and return to us the release and declaration attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope. After we receive these documents, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount includes any interest charges in excess of six percent and monetary damages. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report resulting from the higher interest rate. This release and declaration must be returned by _______.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the declaration, release or settlement, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

We deeply appreciate your service to our country. We are committed to serving the financial needs of our customers who serve in the military, and we regret any error that may have occurred on your account.

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Sincerely,
[Name]
[Name] [Title]

Enclosures: Release and Declaration

In consideration for the parties a	greement to the terms of the Consent Order entered		
in	, and the Defendant's payment to me of		
\$, pursuant to the Cons	sent Order, I hereby release and forever discharge all		
claims, arising prior to the entrance of th	nis Order, related to the facts at issue in the litigation		
referenced above and related to the alleg	ged violation of Section 527 of the Servicemembers Civil		
Relief Act, that I may have against the D	Defendant, all related entities, parents, predecessors,		
successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates, a	nd all of its past and present directors, officers, agents,		
managers, supervisors, shareholders and	employees and their heirs, executors, administrators,		
successors or assigns.			
Executed this day of	, 20		
	Signature		
	Digitatore		
	Print Name		
	Address		

[SCRA NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR SECTION 527 CO-BORROWER]

Name of Co-borrower 123 Main Street City, State Zip code

Re: Loan Number [Insert]

Dear [Co-borrower]:

We write to inform you that ______ ("the Bank"), entered into a settlement on _____, with the Department of Justice regarding alleged violations of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act ("SCRA"). This settlement resolves the Department of Justice's allegations that the Bank charged servicemembers interest higher than six percent on mortgage loans that the servicemembers originated prior to entering active duty, despite receiving requests for interest rate relief and orders.

In connection with this settlement, the Department of Justice identified you as a person who may be eligible for financial compensation with respect to your loan [add loan number(s)]. If you sign and return to us the release attached to this letter in the enclosed postage paid envelope and your co-borrower signs and returns the declaration and release that will be sent separately to your co-borrower, we will send you a check in the amount of [insert amount]. This amount represents your portion of any interest charges in excess of six percent. In addition, the Bank will request that all major credit bureaus remove any negative entries on your credit report attributable to the higher interest rate.

To receive this payment, you must return the attached release within six months of the date of receipt of this letter. The release, if signed, releases any claim to the return of excess interest that you may have under Section 527 of the SCRA; however, it does not release any other claim you may have under the SCRA, including Section 527, or other laws.

You should be aware that the money you are eligible to receive may have consequences with respect to your federal, state, or local tax liability, as well as eligibility for any public assistance benefits you may receive. Neither the Bank nor the Department of Justice can advise you on tax liability or any effect on public assistance benefits. You may wish to consult with a qualified individual or organization about any possible tax or other consequences resulting from your receipt of this payment.

If you have any questions concerning the release or settlement, please contact [Insert Independent Consultant Name] at [Insert Contact Information including a phone number].

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We are committed to serving the financial needs of our customers who serve in the military, and we regret any error that may have occurred on your account.

Sincerely,

[Name] [Title]

Enclosure: Release

In consideration for the	parties agreement to the terms of the Consent Order entered
in	, and the Defendant's payment to me of
	the Consent Order, I hereby release and forever discharge any
claim under Section 527 of the	Servicemembers Civil Relief Act for the return of excess interest
for my loan,[ins	ert loan number], related to the litigation referenced above and
arising prior to the entrance of	this Order, that I may have against the Defendant, all related
entities, parents, predecessors,	successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates, and all of its past and
present directors, officers, age	nts, managers, supervisors, shareholders and employees and their
heirs, executors, administrators	s, successors or assigns.
Executed this day	of, 20
	<u> </u>
	Signature
	Print Name
	Finit Name
	Address

EXHIBIT H - 3

IMPORTANT NOTICE AFFECTING MILITARY SERVICEMEMBERS

WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AFFORDED UNDER THE SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT

Attached to this notice you will find a waiver of rights and protections that may be applicable to you and your dependents pursuant to the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 App. U.S.C. § 501, *et seq.* (the "SCRA"). The SCRA provides military personnel and their dependents with a wide range of legal and financial protections. Among other benefits and protections, the SCRA:

- Upon request by the servicemember, imposes a maximum rate of interest that may be charged on debt obligations incurred by an eligible servicemember before the servicemember began his or her current military service.
- May restrict or prohibit the sale, foreclosure, or seizure of real estate pursuant to a pre-service debt obligation, except where the lender has obtained a valid court order approving the sale, foreclosure, or seizure of the real estate.
- May prohibit a landlord or lender from evicting a servicemember or the servicemember's dependents from his/her residence, except where the lender has obtained a valid court order approving the eviction.
- May, in a court action, give the servicemember the right to postpone the case under certain conditions.
- May, in a court action, give the servicemember the right to have the terms of the mortgage obligation adjusted under certain conditions.

[Judicial State / Non-Judicial State Paragraph - Insert Applicable Paragraph]

[Judicial State] If you choose to sign the waiver, the bank will have the option to proceed with a foreclosure, sale and eviction without the protections of the SCRA. If you do not sign this waiver, the Bank will be required to provide you the protections of the SCRA. You may be able to seek a postponement of any foreclosure or eviction action, and, in the case of foreclosure, an adjustment of the mortgage obligation. Additionally, the court should take steps to ensure that a judgment is not entered against you if you are unable to appear.

[Non-Judicial State] If you choose to sign the waiver, the bank will have the option to proceed with a foreclosure, sale and eviction without going to court. If you do not sign this waiver, the bank will be required to obtain a court order in order to foreclose (if you incurred your debt before you went into military service) or to evict you from your home. You may be able to seek a postponement of any foreclosure or eviction action, and, in the case of foreclosure, an adjustment of the mortgage obligation. Additionally, the court should take steps to ensure that a judgment is not entered against you if you are unable to appear.

Before waiving these important statutory rights, you should consult an attorney regarding how best to exercise your rights or whether it is in your interest to waive these rights under the conditions offered by the bank.

As an alternative to foreclosure, the bank may offer its borrowers the options of pursuing a short sale of their property or executing a deed in lieu of foreclosure. Borrowers in default may find

these options to be preferable to foreclosure. Any negotiation for a short sale or deed in lieu of foreclosure is not a threat of current or future litigation, and should not be considered as such.

For More Information:

- CONSULT AN ATTORNEY: To fully understand your rights under the law, and before waiving your rights, you should consult an attorney.
- JAG / LEGAL ASSISTANCE: Servicemembers and their dependents with questions about the SCRA should contact their unit's Judge Advocate, or their installation's Legal Assistance Officer. A military legal assistance office locator for all branches of the Armed Forces is available at http://legalassistance.law.af.mil/content/locator.php
- MILITARY ONESOURCE: "Military OneSource" is the U.S. Department of Defense's information resource. Go to www.militaryonesource.com

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT

	(NAME) am a [servicemember] [dependent of(NAME), a
	er], and I am aware that I have protections available to me under the
	pers Civil Relief Act (SCRA). This includes, but is not limited to, legal rights
_	e property securing my mortgage loan, including protection against a sale,
foreclosure, s	seizure, eviction or unlawful detainer action related to the property listed below.
	[ADDRESS OF PROPERTY]
I acknowledg	ge that:
•	By signing this waiver, I am waiving the SCRA protections related to the property listed above, including any protections against a sale, foreclosure, seizure, eviction or unlawful detainer action, as well as relating to the right of redemption.
•	This waiver applies to any form of proceeding or transaction through which someone else receives ownership and/or possession of the property securing my loan, including a foreclosure short sale, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, cash-for-keys, etc. This waiver applies not only to any such proceedings or transactions that are in process at the time I sign this waiver, but also to proceedings or transactions that are started after I sign this waiver.
•	The above described property secures my mortgage loan, account number:
•	In exchange for waiving my SCRA rights with respect to this property, the Bank has agreed to provide (insert one - a short sale, cash for keys agreement, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure, or other valuable consideration). This waiver does not become effective until (insert item listed above) is executed and completed. If for any reason, the (insert item listed above) is not executed and completed, this waiver shall become null and void.
the SCRA wi	e above provisions, I hereby waive and give up the right to these protections under th respect to the above listed property and any right I may have had to a stay of or adjustment of the mortgage obligation in a foreclosure action.
	Date:
	(Signature)
	Printed Name